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U.S.-ARAB DEAL MENACES ZION



WARM AGAIN: Getting back to normal at the Manhattan Beach project for veterans are Richard D. Guiardi, Donald Davidson and Berry Zatlow. The boys are taking off their warm clothing at 535 Jaffrey Court after the Brooklyn Borough Gas Co. turned on the heat at the project. It was almost as cold indoors as out for 1,725 families whose heat was shut off by the utility company on Sunday. The heat was restored Monday afternoon.

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State Dep't Plans To Dump Partition

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Rep. J. K. Javits (R-NY) today warned against the danger that the United States may withdraw its support of the United Nations decision on partition. Speaking in the House, Javits declared that "those who are opposed to partition are attempting to appease a group of small Arab states which are defying the United Nations."

His speech served to bring into the open rumors which have been rife in the capital for the past week.

According to these reports, the State Department has under consideration a plan to abandon support for the partition of Palestine as the price for an alliance with the Arab states. Because of this perspective, the story runs, the State Department has no intention of lifting the embargo on the shipment of arms to Jews in Palestine. It would prefer to leave the Jews defenseless to Arab attacks and after a period of disorder, the State Department would announce that partition was a failure because it was impossible to maintain order.

WOULD DESTROY UN

The U. S. is the main support of the UN and if it reverses itself on Palestine, Javits said, "most of the nations who voted partition would quickly follow." This would mark the end of the UN, he said, just as "the Japanese walk-out on Manchuria was the signal for the end of the League of Nations."

The New York Congressman couched his warning in cautious diplomatic language and he did not name the groups who are working for a withdrawal of State Department support for the Palestine partition.

A dispatch from London reaching Washington today indicated that the plan to abandon support for partition has proceeded further than local observers realized. In London, British Foreign Minister Bevin has been conferring with Arab leaders, sounding them out on it.

In return for its adoption, Bevin has demanded an alliance with the Arab countries against the Soviet Union, according to the dispatch. It was no secret in London that Bevin was acting in these negotiations not only for Britain but for the American State Department.

SMELLS OF OIL

The London dispatches, however, have not told the full story. The motive behind Anglo-American flirtations with the Arabs is not only strategic—that is, the desire for anti-Soviet bases. Like all Anglo-American policy in the Near East, it involves oil.

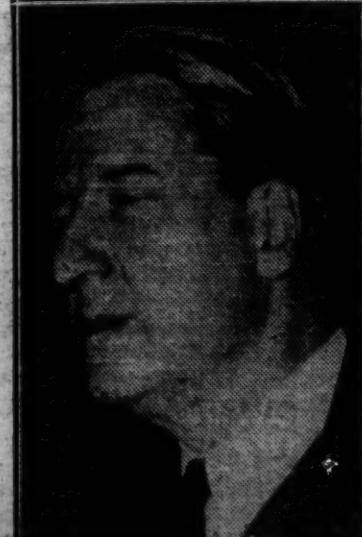
Secretary of Defense Forrestal made this clear last Monday when he testified before the House Armed Services Committee on the problem of securing Middle East oil for the armed forces and for the Marshall Plan. He told the committee that the United Nations decision in Palestine rendered the U. S. position "more insecure."

He agreed with Rep. Dewey Short, (R-Mo), that because of the opposition to the Palestine partition by some

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Rabbi Wise Asks Council Seat Gerson

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RABBI WISE

Schuman's Gov't in Crisis On Franc Cut

PARIS, Jan. 27 (UP).—Powerful opposition to a main part of the government's devaluation program boiled up suddenly today and threatened to overthrow the cabinet of

Army to Yield Reich Rule About July 1

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UP).—The State Department will take over the military government in Germany from the Army on or about July 1, the Army announced today. Military duties of occupation still will be performed by the Army.

Army Secretary Kenneth C. Royall said the decision was the result of conferences he held with Secretary of State George C. Marshall and Gen. Lucius D. Clay, Army commander in Europe.

Set Bittelman Hearing Feb. 5

Immigration officials announced yesterday they had scheduled a deportation hearing for Feb. 5 in Miami, Fla., to decide whether Alexander Bittelman, Communist Party national committee member, should be deported to the Soviet Union.

Bittelman, now free on \$5,000 bail, was arrested on Jan. 15 on orders of Attorney General Tom Clark.

Edward T. Ahrens of the Atlanta, Ga., Immigration office and William H. Owens of Miami have been assigned by the Department of Justice to review the charge that Bittelman "believed in, advocated or taught the overthrow of the U. S. Government by force."

Meanwhile, the New York State Committee of the Communist Party charged that the arrest of Bittelman and the subsequent arrest of Claudia Jones, Negro woman leader and also member of the CP national committee, on deportation warrants are "part of the campaign of lynching and police brutality against the Negro people, and of anti-Semitism against the Jews."

VIOLENCE TRADITION

The arrests, the Communist Party statement added, "are meant to build up hysteria against the foreign born, divide the people and scare the foreign born and American born out of their rights. This attack on the foreign born is an outrageous violation of our democratic tradition expressed by FDR who said: 'We are all descendants from revolutionaries and immigrants.'

As part of the protest movement against arrest of the Communist leaders, the Communist Party has called on workers to join a picket line in front of U. S. Immigration headquarters, 70 Columbus Ave., Monday, Feb. 2, 11:30 a.m.

Truman OKs 'Voice of America'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UP).—President Truman today signed a bill giving the State Department permanent authority for its "Voice of America" and other foreign information programs.

Premier Robert Schumann. The Cabinet called an emergency session on the crisis.

The National Assembly's finance committee flatly rejected a bill to legalize free trade in gold—a major pillar of the devaluation program—and a Parliamentary majority banded together to oppose it.

Schuman's only hope appeared to lie in a demand for a vote of confidence.

The Socialists, who have solidly supported Schuman up to now, joined with the Communists on the finance committee in voting against the proposals, 21 to 14, with one abstention.

If a vote of confidence is taken, it will be on Thursday.

In addition to devaluation of the franc—it is now pegged for foreign trading at 214.392 for \$1, instead of 119—there were three other parts of Schuman's program, which must pass the Assembly.

The first provides that Frenchmen who violated previous laws by hiding credits abroad could now bring these credits back to France by paying a tax of 25 percent. After next July, an additional tax of 1 percent would be added for each month they hesitate.

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Protest U. S. Support Of Athens Gov't

The American Council for a Democratic Greece has called a demonstration before the Greek consulate, 30 Rockefeller Plaza this afternoon (Wednesday) from 4 to 6 p.m. It will protest American military intervention in Greece and the persecution of trade unionists and Greek democrats.

UE Urges Congress Renew Price Control

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—A demand for immediate restoration of effective price control was made today before the Senate Banking and Currency Committee by Russ Nixon, Washington representative of the CIO United Electrical Workers.

Charging that the administration and Congress were "seriously derelict" in dealing with runaway prices, Nixon declared the only bill offering "a constructive approach to price control" was S. 1923, introduced by Sen. Glen H. Taylor (D-Ida).

The Taylor bill, Nixon said: "Is the only bill before this committee which contains all the major elements of effective control—general ceilings; power to allocate; ration and pay subsidies; and independent administrative agency and strong enforcement provisions."

HITS BARKLEY BILL

The administration's bill introduced by Sen. Alben W. Barkley (D-Ky) which makes price control contingent upon a wage freeze, was assailed by the UE leader.

"It is based on the false economic assumption that wages have been a major influence in raising prices, which no honest economist would seriously charge," Nixon declared. The bill, he said, was an example of "taking with one hand what you give with another."

Also appearing before the committee hearings was Cyrus J. Waud, a 37-year-old rank and file member of Local 80 CIO Food and Tobacco Workers. Accompanied by his wife and two of their six children, Waud, a worker in the Campbell Soup Co. plant in Camden, N.J., described the difficulties his families had in "making ends meet" last year.

The canning companies, Waud told the senators, increased their profits, after taxes, 118 percent in 1946 and another 84.4 percent in 1947.

C. W. Fowler, FTW publicity director who accompanied the Waud family, presented a petition signed by 37,000 FTW workers demanding living cost controls.

Waud told the committee his salary amounted to \$50 a week during the tomato canning season but added that for four slack months he worked only three or four days a week.

He said the family could buy meat "maybe twice a week."

Sen. A. Willis Robertson (D-Va), attempting to divert Waud from the price control issue launched into a defense of the free enterprise system assailing Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, the Soviet Union and Communism.

"Communism is beside the point," Waud replied with dignity. "I'm here to talk about bread and butter."



AFL COUNCIL meeting in Miami. Seated (l. to r.) are George Meany, treasurer; William Green, president, and Daniel Tobin, president of the Teamsters Union. Talking on the phone in rear is George M. Harrison, president of the Railway Clerks Union.

Green Sees Labor Demanding Wage Hike, Prefers Price Control

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 27 (UP).—Leaders of the American Federation of Labor today demanded that Congress immediately grant President Truman authority to control prices, and warned that it already was too late to prevent a nationwide demand for wage increases in the spring.

AFL president William Green said the Federation leadership would prefer an immediate price rollback to a general wage rise but predicted "a demand for wage increases across the country" because Congress has failed to act against the rising cost of living.

The 15-member Executive Coun-

cil of the AFL, in its annual winter meeting here, unanimously approved a statement declaring that "the American people cannot endure this cruel economic squeeze indefinitely," and urging a four-point program of immediate action:

- Authority to the President to impose rationing and selective price controls on vital necessities which threatens to fall into short supply.
- An excess profits tax.
- Congressional investigation into the "vast and unjustified spread between the price the farmers receive for their products and the

prices consumers are forced to pay." This spread frequently ranges from 100 to 200 percent, the statement said.

• Extension of rent control "under terms which will permit fair returns to owners of homes and buildings."

Green said the AFL was solidly against any legislation imposing wage ceilings but "as between wage increases and reduced prices, we prefer reduced prices. We've found the price spiral rises faster than wage increases." He indicated the spring time wage demands would rise from the workers, not from the AFL leadership.

2 New Quakes Shake Panay, Philippines

MANILA, Jan. 27 (UP).—Two more strong earth-shocks, making at least 22 since early Sunday, shook Panay Island today.

Un-Americans Cut In By O'D on Relief Probe

Mayor O'Dwyer yesterday bowed to the House Un-American Committee's attempted witch-hunt into the City Welfare Department. At the request of the committee, he directed Welfare Commissioner Benjamin Fielding to send the Committee copies of transcripts taken during hearings into alleged "Communist domination" of the Department by CIO United Public Workers Local 1.

The Mayor revealed this order at a City Hall press conference in the

presence of Fielding.

The Mayor told reporters that the Civil Service Board "had made certain charges to Commissioner Fielding to the effect that the union (Local 1) was Communist-controlled and was using union methods to obstruct the work of the department."

Commissioner Fielding "immediately appointed a committee to look into the charges," the Mayor declared. It consisted of first deputy Commissioner Joseph P. Piccirillo, departmental counsel Philip Sokol, secretary of the department Dr. Alphonse Henengburg and Thomas Fitzpatrick, special counsel to Fielding. It held hearings on Dec. 18 and 19.

The transcripts, which ran to 98 pages, "are still being examined," the Mayor said.

On Jan. 26 Benjamin Mandell, director of research of the Un-American Committee wrote to Fielding "for one or two copies" of the transcripts.

Late yesterday afternoon a delegation (Continued on Back Page)

City Council Votes Negro History Week

By Michael Singer

In an effort to hide his anti-Communist bias, Queens Democratic Councilman Hugh Quinn "requested" that Communist Benjamin Davis withdraw his resolution for Negro History Week "so that the whole Council can be credited with it."

Calling the Davis resolution a good one, Quinn plausibly added, "I too would like my name associated with it."

Davis promptly declared, "I'd be happy to have the whole Council sponsor it," and proposed immediate consideration.

The Council voted 19 to 1 to make the week of February 9-15 Negro History Week.

Manhattan Republican Edward Rager, opposed the resolution because of the phrase "Negro Americans" in it, which he said was catering to racial groups."

Rager followed this with: "I draw no color line. A pig is a pig is a pig whether he is colored or white."

Anger and raucous laughter were the reactions of listeners, but Rager refused to amend or explain his insulting innuendo.

ASK CITY LOTTERY

Earlier the Council adopted a resolution by vice-chairman Joseph T. Sharkey calling on the state legislature to amend the constitution making possible a city lottery "solely for hospitals and medical research." The resolution was adopted 13 to 4, with Davis, Stanley M. Isaacs, Manhattan Independent, Laborite Eugene P. Connolly and Queens Republican Alfred Phillips opposed.

The Council approved two measures requesting the state legislature to validate the Sharkey Emergency Rent Laws, parts of which have been invalidated by the Appellate Division.

The measures ask legislative sanction for the City Rent Commission created under the Emergency Rent Laws. Under the proposed legislation the city would have rent control authority which the courts have held were lacking in the Sharkey Laws.

The Council also approved an amendment by Sharkey giving a landlord the right to evict where he "personally" required the apartment.

A resolution by Davis, Connolly and Bronx Laborite Michael Quill urging that the Council express grief over the killing of Moshe Pearlstein and Dov Seligman in Palestine was referred to the Committee on Rules.

The Resolution also called on the government to lift the embargo on arms to the Jews in Palestine and urged the United Nations "to organize and send an army" to Palestine.

Point of Order

By ALAN MAX

WESTERN BLOC UNITY

From London arises a piteous sound:

"The new franc, to be frank, may pound on our pound."

Say U.S. Policy Aids Nazi Return to Power

By Harry Raymond

President Truman's policy in Germany is aiding Nazi war criminals and industrialists to climb back to their wartime places of power, it was charged yesterday in a document signed by 37 prominent Americans. The group, headed by former top U. S. occupation officials charged that separate peace plans combined with U. S.-guided regeneration of the German industrial war plant is speedily leading the world to the brink of a new war.

James S. Martin, former AMG Decaracterization chief in Germany, Abraham L. Pomerantz, former senior trial counsel for prosecution of Nazi industrialists, and former Assistant U. S. Attorney-General O. John Rogge, spokesman for the



JOHN ROGGE



ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT

Nazi Criminals Get Off Easy

Friedrich Flick and Otto Steinbrück, leading Nazi industrialists who "abused 40,000 slave laborers and received the goods stolen from the Jews," will be out of jail in less than four years and back at their old stands, declared Abraham L. Pomerantz, former senior trial counsel of Nazi industrialists, yesterday.

Despite the enormity of their crimes, three co-defendants with Flick and Steinbrück were freed by the court, Pomerantz said. He added the court explained its leniency by asserting the defendant's deeds were committed to "placate Hitler."

group, called on the American people to take stock of what is happening in Germany. They urged immediate scrapping of separate peace plans, united allied settlement of reparations, elimination of the cartel stranglehold on German economy, removal of war criminals, dismantling of war plants and aid to anti-Nazis to build a democratic Germany.

"In our zone of Germany, where ours is the main responsibility, we have failed in our pledge to wipe out Nazism," said the statement of the 37. "Franklin Roosevelt's plans have been scrapped. The Truman Administration long ago allowed itself to move away from policies laid down at Potsdam; in their place have been put the policies of Vandenberg, Dulles and Hoover."

ELLIOTT ROOSEVELT SIGNER

Among signers of the document, made public at a press conference in the Waldorf-Astoria, were Elliott Roosevelt, Richard Sulsky and Russ Nixon, former AMG officials in Germany; A. F. Whitney, president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen; W. E. B. DuBois, Negro historian; Leonard Bernstein, orchestra conductor; Mark Van Doren, writer; Rep. George S. Sadowski, Michigan Democrat; Rep. Arthur G. Klein, New York Democrat; Rep. Vito Marcantonio, New York ALP; Sen. (Continued on Page 10)

O'D Names Gambler in Grain to \$12,000 Post

Brig. Gen. William F. Heavey was proposed by Mayor O'Dwyer as a \$12,000 a year consultant engineer in the Department of Marine and Aviation yesterday, the very day Heavey was listed as a grain speculator.

In a communication to the City Council, O'Dwyer asked waiver in Heavey's case of the Lyons Residence Law, which requires a candidate for city office to have been a resident for three years.

Heavey, who has lived at 71 Washington Square South since March 24, 1946, was named yesterday by the Department of Agriculture as a trader in futures on grain commodities. Previously the Board of Estimate approved a message from G. Joseph Minetti, Commissioner of Marine and Aviation to exempt Gen. Heavey from the residence requirements.

The Council referred the Mayor's communication to the Committee on Civil Employees. O'Dwyer will dine with Heavey and Minetti today at noon aboard the craft Vigilant of the Engineer Corps.

OK House Bill to Bar Foreign-Born

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The House Judiciary Committee reported favorably today a bill seeking to amend the immigration laws to exclude persons who might "endanger the public safety."

The bill, HR 1878, was introduced in the last session by Rep. Ed. Gossett (D-Tex.). It would empower the Attorney General to deny admission to anyone he "knows or has reason to believe is seeking to enter the United States for the purpose of engaging in activities which will endanger the public safety of the United States."

Leo Isacson, American Labor Party candidate for Congress from the 24th District, Bronx, last night challenged his opponents to oppose compulsory military training, which he termed the "key issue" of the special election.

Speaking before a group of veteran volunteer campaign workers at his Hunts Point Palace headquarters, Isacson urged them to help him spread his "no conscription, no war" program to the district's 90,000 registered voters.

"This election," he asserted, "is

the people's first chance to show their fighting opposition to conscription of their sons."

He added that he was the only candidate committed to vote against military training when it came to a vote in Congress, all other candidates and parties backing the draft.

Distribution of 90,000 copies of Isacson's program calling for cutting prices and taxes, building federal low-cost housing, outlawing anti-Semitism and Jimcrow, repealing the Taft-Hartley law and arming Haganah, was started yesterday by Isacson canvassers.

Isacson Challenges Opponents To Oppose Conscription

'I Was a Negro, So They Killed Me'

By Art Shields

The last written words of Wardell Henderson, 25, Negro veteran, who died in a gas chamber in Salem, Ore., this last weekend, will haunt FBI men for some time. "You got to be white before you can consider yourself an American," wrote the former staff sergeant in the invasion of Kiska, before he walked the last mile.

"They just convicted me because of my race," wrote Henderson in a letter intended to be read after he was dead.

He had earlier told how FBI men and military police had abused him as a "lying N—" and beaten him for four days at a military station in Philadelphia until he signed the "confession" they drafted.

The FBI "confession" said that Henderson had killed a white man, Walter Poole, in Portland on Christmas Eve, 1945.

MANY PROTESTS

The case was so raw, however, that Republican Gov. John Hall was flooded with wires to save Henderson's life, after the state Supreme Court had rejected appeals.

Many prominent citizens joined Negro and people's organizations in demanding the halting of the execution. Portland newspapers questioned the judge's decision. And the foreman of the jury made an affidavit that he voted the death penalty because Henderson was black.

But Gov. Hall refused mercy with a stony-cold statement last week. And the Negro veteran walked to his death, after refusing breakfast, with the simple oral statement that—

"I never killed a man in my life and I received a raw deal."

His last written words are found in a penciled letter to his friend and lawyer, Irvin Goodman, who transmitted it later to the Civil Rights Congress in New York.

KILLED A NEGRO

"I have lived in America for 25 years, not as an American, but as a Negro," wrote Henderson.

"Just between you and I, you see, Negroes are not called Americans. You got to be white before you can consider yourself as an American. . . .

"I knew all the time the jury was prejudiced." The foreman

of the jury said some of the jury did not like Negroes, and that Negroes should go back where they came from. So the jury made up their mind to kill, not only me, but any Negro that came before them for justice.

"They also said the Negro population was increasing so fast that some day the Negroes would overrun the white race and have the white race living under the same conditions that the Negroes are living under today.

"They didn't look at the case after they saw I was a Negro.

BECAUSE OF MY RACE

"They just convicted me because of my race.

"I went into the courtroom and looked at all of the white people [no Negroes on the jury] and I

knew then and there that I was going to be framed because of my race. I looked back into the courtroom and everything was white. . . .

"I would like to know how a white would feel if he had to face an all-Negro court when he stood accused of doing something to a Negro? . . .

"Negroes do not like race discrimination. We only ask to be equal. The Americans got a lot to learn about discrimination.

"Racial discrimination was the cause of the Americans being kicked out of Panama City. Until Americans learn what racial discrimination is going to cost them there is never going to be peace.

"Now back to that woman called Justice. She doesn't care how much money a Negro has, she will not talk

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Ebasco Union Hails Court Denial of T-H Writ

Lewis Alan Berne, national leader of the striking Ebasco workers, yesterday greeted a federal court's dismissal of a petition for a Taft-Hartley "secondary boycott" injunction as a "complete justification" for

Taft-Hartley law's prohibition of secondary boycotts.

In ruling on one of the picketed shops, Project Engineering, 115 Fulton St., Judge Rifkind declared that Ebasco had actually bought the services of Project employees to work under its direction and supervision. The strikers were in effect picketing Ebasco when they took action against a firm to which scab work was farmed out.

Judge Rifkind described the contract between the two companies as "unique." He said that Ebasco set the maximum wage rates and that invoices were in terms of man-hours, with a daily check of the number of Project men working on Ebasco assignments. There was sufficient evidence, he added, to show that Project employees did work, which but for the strike, would have been done by Ebasco.

Persuading Project workers to strike was no different, he asserted, than inducing Ebasco employees to strike.

"To suggest that Project had no interest in the dispute between Ebasco and its employees is to look at the form and remain blind to the substance," he went on.

"In every meaningful sense it has made itself party to the contest. Manifestly it was not an innocent bystander, nor a neutral. It was firmly allied to Ebasco and it was its conduct as an ally of Ebasco which directly provoked the union's action."

Berne's comment on continuing the fight against NLRB moves was prompted by newspaper reports that Charles T. Douds, NLRB regional director, would continue hearings on Project's charges of unfair labor practices, despite the court ruling. In that event the case will be fought out in the Circuit Court of Appeals if the examiner rules against the union.

"In view of the importance of this case in the entire Taft-Hartley fight," Berne declared, "we will take this all the way up to the highest court if we have to."

Call House Hearings

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UP).—A House Armed Services subcommittee today scheduled public hearings next Monday on alleged irregularities in the tax-free, lifetime disability pensions granted to retired Army, Navy and Air Force officers.

As We See It

Bevin Says It's "Socialism"—
But Winston Churchill Smiles

By Milton Howard

ONCE AGAIN, the leaders of the Socialist parties of the "western countries" are being used as the window-dressing for the plans of the most ruthless financiers. This time it is Ernest Bevin who is up in front.

Bevin launched the artful plan for a "United States of Europe (only the western part)" as a step toward Socialism.

He was echoed in this asinity by that other smooth faker, Sir Stafford Cripps. This labor knight was rather fearful of scaring the profit-ridden parliament which sat before him, and no doubt, he was particularly fearful of frightening the financiers of Wall Street who are dishing out the Marshall Plan "relief." He therefore hastened to give his definition of Socialism by saying in adoring words that it would be like "your TVA."



But the only TVA's that are being built in Europe today are going up behind the big, bad "iron curtain." The purpose of Bevin's "union" plan is to prevent any others from arising in France, Italy, etc., where they might compete with the Ruhr's industries.

The idea that a TVA project, worthy as that is, constitutes Socialism, while the entire productive machinery of the nation remains in the hands of private monopolists, could only arise in the brain of a corporation lawyer like Cripps.

If mere government ownership of anything constituted Socialism, regardless of the fact that the capitalist class still owned the industries and ran the government, then a public toilet, as Frederick Engels scornfully remarked, would be one of the pioneer efforts of the new Socialist system.

THE TALK OF SOCIALISM as the cover-up for the scheme to grab all of Europe as a new colony for the London-Wall Street bankers received a rude jolt rather swiftly.

Winston Churchill eagerly greeted the grab-Europe scheme in which he sees another step in the preparation for the next war. But this wily old Tory smilingly dismissed the Bevin-Cripps baloney about a "Socialist Europe." It is not a "Socialist Europe" that the British ruling class is planning as it gives orders to its stooges like Bevin. Churchill put the record straight. And Cripps followed him to reassure him. A good time was had by all.

THE OTHER JOLT handed to the false promises of socialism handed out by the Labor lackeys of the London banks was delivered by the French Schuman regime. This happened 24 hours after Bevin had invited the French reactionaries to join in the love feast of the "Western union."

The French slapped the British in the face by devaluing the franc, rejecting all British pleas to desist. By this action, the French turned their country over to the tender mercies of the owners of dollars—that is Wall Street—and took another step toward shutting British exports out of the Continental markets.

We may be sure that the slick money crowd of Washington had something to do with all this. In fact, we know it. It was not by accident that the notion of a "United States of Europe" under dollar control was launched by John Foster Dulles two days before Bevin started crowing about it. It was also Dulles, Clayton, and other Wall Street financiers who had been "urging" the French to devalue their franc in favor of the dollar.

The French, with Marshall "relief" dangled before them, willingly obeyed. With their obedience, some of the internal commercial rivalries of the Anglo-American "saviors of the dignity of man" leap to the surface.

WHILE THE FALSE Socialists lecture on their "plans," the compelling rivalries, clashes, and basic anarchism of capitalist competition slash through all pretenses. The Marshall Plan, by its deliberate deformation of European production to favor American industrial monopoly is speeding up the outbreak of economic warfare and eventual crisis.

Such capitalist thinkers as Bernard Baruch are concerned over these forthcoming economic battles. Mr. Baruch has aroused a certain admiration in those liberal circles where any large-scale piracy evokes gurgles of approval provided the piracy is "planned."

Baruch's recently presented "plan" has the usual slick trimmings, which do not in any sense blunt its aim—which is to overcome capitalist anarchy by "freezing" the working class, on the one hand, and by providing for the extinction of non-monopoly business, on the other. This is the "Socialism" of Wall Street—or, as it was known in Germany, this is National Socialism. Not a successful model to follow, it would seem.

Truman Blocks Railroad Strike

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27 (UP).—President Truman today forced a 60-day postponement of a threatened nationwide strike by 248,000 railroad workers by creating a fact-finding board to investigate the dispute.

His executive order said the strike, scheduled for Feb. 1, would interfere with interstate commerce.

Three unions—the independent Brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers and Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, and the Switchmen's Union (AFL)—claim that 97 percent of their members have voted to strike for wage increases and other concessions.

Negotiations have been under way since Oct. 1. The unions are de-

manding pay hikes above the pattern-setting 15½ cents an hour increase granted 1,250,000 members of the 17 non-operating Brotherhoods. They argue the extra pay is required for jobs which are filled only by members of their unions.

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By GENE BYRNES

REG'LAR FELLERS—Millionaire In Making



Rabbi Wise Urges Council Seat Gerson

Dr. Stephen S. Wise, of famed Free Synagogue, yesterday made public a statement calling upon the City Council to seat Simon W. Gerson as the successor to the late Peter V. Cacchione, who died Nov. 8, 1947. Failure to seat Mr. Gerson would be not only "unjust," Rabbi Wise said, but would be "to deny the reality of democratic government."

The text of Dr. Wise's statement, as released through the Citizens Committee to Defend Representatives Government, follows:

"I remember that President Wilson, on the eve of the Peace Conference, said in 1918 in New York: 'The hardest thing in the world is to be just to those to whom one is most tempted to be unjust.' Apparently the democratic majority of the New York City Council is tempted to be unjust in the matter of seating Simon W. Gerson to the City Council seat made vacant by the death of Peter V. Cacchione.

"The City Council Committee on Rules must decide that there is nothing it can do but seat Mr. Gerson. To fail to do so is to deny the reality of democratic government.

"I cannot bring myself to believe that the Democratic majority party in the City Council will act so unjustly, so unscrupulously, so undemocratically."

A resolution by Councilman Benjamin J. Davis, Manhattan Communist, to seat Mr. Gerson has been in the Rules Committee since Dec. 16. A hearing was held on Jan. 23. Councilman Walter R. Hart, chairman of the Rules Committee, is reported to have stated that the Committee will meet in executive session to determine whether to vote favorably on the resolution or not within the next week.

GE Employe Gets the Works, And Has to Smile Getting It

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., January 27 (FP).—The General Electric Co.'s house organ didn't tell the whole story when a recent issue carried a picture of Leopoldo Gabriele retiring, turning over his job to another elevator operator while a smiling supervisor looked on.

This was what was left out of the GE Works News story: Gabriele was retired against his will Dec. 1, after pleading that a \$30 monthly GE pension was no reason to retire these days. He is the sole support of himself and his wife. He is in good health and willing to work.

The United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers (CIO) has been arguing his case since early October. The company stands on the position that the pension plan compels retirement at 65. The union claims this is nothing but an improper penalty because of age, and is trying to get the case to arbitration.

Fur Dressers Win \$8-\$10 Weekly Hike

An \$8 to \$10 weekly wage increase, including a 1 percent retirement fund paid by the employers, has been obtained for the workers in fancy fur dressing shops in the Greater New York area, effective tomorrow, it was announced yesterday.

The agreement was won by Fur Dressers' Local 12, Fur Floor Workers Local 3 and the Fur Pluckers Local 4, all of the CIO International Fur & Leather Workers Union in wage negotiations

with the Fur Dressers Guild. The contract was extended one year.

Heading the local union negotiating committees were Local 2, Manager Sam Mindel; Local 3, Manager Frank Magnani; Local 4, President Phil Wolfinger and International Secretary Treasurer Pietro Lucchi.

Negotiations for the new agreement dragged for several weeks. A settlement was reached, despite the obstruction of an anti-union propaganda campaign carried on during this period in the Daily Forward by Morris Kaufman, now a salesman for a fur dressing firm, the union said.

In the early 1920's Kaufman was the international president and notorious for the corruption and gangsterism that prevailed. When finally forced out, the union declared, he openly connected with an employer racket, including the Lepke-Gurrah gang. He was eventually indicted by the federal government and found guilty.

To Coin a Phrase — Mint Fires 200

By Walter Lowenfels

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 26.—TWO HUNDRED LAID OFF AT MINT AS SOON AS ORDERS FALL OF." That's the headline.

According to the story, employees who have been "furloughed" from the Philadelphia Mint will be recalled "as soon as new orders for coins are received."

O.K. Here goes: To the Mint: I note you are short of orders for coins. Evidently my silent requests have not reached you. Here it is in writing:

Please ship me quick all the coins needed to give jobs back to the 200 workers you have laid off.

Also—please ship freight prepaid.

GREENBACKS ARE BETTER

May I make a suggestion to help your ailing business? Try giving

away premiums. I would suggest dollar bills.

In fact, if you can ship me greenbacks instead of quarters, you can double my order.

Who wants to carry around a truckload of metal to buy a pound of coffee or steak? Undoubtedly, that's the heart of your production problem.

At present prices, coins won't buy much. No wonder your orders are falling off. You should insist that the Marshall Plan be worked out in one cent pieces.

My order is peanuts. Just think if President Truman came across with a telegram to you: "Ship Chiang Kai-shek 22 billions—in pennies!"

Meanwhile, if you want to put over your domestic sales campaign, you'd better enlist the grocery stores. Make each one put a poster in their windows: "COINS ACCEPTED HERE."

Sentence 7 to Die, 12 to Jail As U. S., British Spies in Albania

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Jan. 27 (UP).—Seven Albanians, including three former members of Parliament, have been sentenced to death and 12 others to imprisonment as Anglo-American spies and revolutionary plotters, the Yugoslav agency Tanjug reported today.

Tanjug said that the 19 defendants, members of the "traitorous" Balli Kombar and L'Egalite organizations, were sentenced by the Supreme Military Court in Tirana, capital of Albania.

The dispatch said that the prisoners had been found guilty of aiding British and American representatives in Albania in a plot to overthrow the "people's regime" and reinstate King Zog.

Tanjug quoted the newspaper Bashie as saying: "The Albanian people will never permit its country to become a second Greece."

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Detroit Congressman Charges Trusts Want Marshall Plan

By William Allan

DETROIT, Jan. 27.—Congressman George Sadowski of this city in a letter to his constituents charges the Marshall Plan is a program of international cartellists which will bring America the hatred and enmity of all the world. Sadowski is a New Dealer who recently lauded the announcement of Henry Wallace running for President in 1948. He is the assistant Democratic whip in this session of Congress.

A TOOTH FOR A TOOTH— DENTIST REPORTS HE DID IT

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 27 (UP).—Transplantation of human teeth from one jaw socket to another has been accomplished for the first time in recorded medical history, a California dentist said yesterday.

Dr. Harland Apfel of San Pedro, Cal., said he had transplanted teeth on 33 patients—with only two failures.

Six of the patients have solid, newly grown teeth on which they have been chewing for more than a year, Dr. Apfel said. Twenty-five others have transplanted teeth in various stages of growth with every hope that they will be entirely successful.

Dr. Apfel told the second annual meeting of the University of California Dental College Alumni Association his process consists of transplanting the "buds" of wisdom teeth to fill the gaps left by the loss of regular first molars. At present it is successful only on patients between 12 and 19 years of age.

The tooth buds are "seeds" about the size of a match head. They are dug out from deep down in the

jaw socket and then placed in the socket from which a first molar has been extracted. This makes the new tooth part of the same living system.

Minister Saves Congregation

NEWTON, N. C., Jan. 27 (UP).—Community leaders today lauded the cool courage of a minister who calmly led the congregation out of his church minutes before an explosion ripped the sides from the building and injured three persons.

"Folks, I believe there's an unnecessary fire in here," the Rev. Bertis Fair told the church members when he saw smoke pouring from a ventilator. "Will you all please just file out slowly?"

When the congregation was safely out, Fair returned, got his coat and Bible and dragged a small piano outside. A moment later an explosion demolished the Newton Baptist church.

Added to that, he writes, they see opportunities to make big profits quickly in speculation on petroleum products, grains and commodities and you have another reason for their pushing of the Marshall Plan.

WHO THEY ARE

These cartellists, the Congressman charged, are the same forces who have always fought against aid to veterans, school lunch programs, Federal aid to teachers, aid to the incapacitated, the blind and the crippled. Their motives, he said, for support of the Marshall Plan are not based on a sound foreign policy that would work for peace, or because of sympathy for the millions of destitute and hungry in Europe.

Thus, he said, he believes we should junk the Marshall and Truman program and instead should give loans and credits, without interest, to all nations and their people who suffered from the ravages of war.

He then informed his constituents that he did not agree with the stand of the American delegation at the recent London conference of the Foreign Ministers of Great Britain, U. S. A., France and the Soviet Union.

He wrote that the Soviet Union's request for \$10,000,000,000 in reparations from Germany, which the American delegation opposed, was not an unreasonable request.

"Why should not the Germans work and pay for their sins?" Sadowski asked. Certainly \$10,000,000,000 is not a great amount of compensation for the damage the Nazis did to Russia and its people, he wrote.

Sadowski warned that "it will do America no good to be identified as supporting Fascists and anti-Democratic forces anywhere in the world."

The World of Labor

Green Opens Door to Forty-five Hour Week

By George Morris

WILLIAM GREEN'S proposal for an extension of the work week to 45 hours is just another of the many recent proposals to help corporations bypass a wage raise. Since talk began of a third round in wage raises, we have heard of many brilliant "substitutes" for hard cash in pay envelopes.

Proponents of a tax cut argue that their offers of a few cents a day relief would take the pressure off wage demands. Others have placed exclusive trust in the "roll-back approach," as though the 80th Congress could be gotten to do anything constructive. Since it became apparent that the "roll-back approach" brings no result, there is much talk of cutting down wage demands and requesting that the difference go for a "non-inflationary" pension plan.

All these ideas, including Green's 45-hour week, stem from one basic concept—the NAM's concept—that wage increases are the basic cause of a rise in prices and that only an increase in volume and speed of production could increase the purchasing value of the dollar.



TRUE, GREEN ASKS overtime rates for the ninth hour. But his basic argument doesn't differ much from that General Motors president C. E. Wilson advanced two years ago. Wilson said only a cut in labor costs and a greater volume of products could cut prices. Five extra hours a week, at straight time, would give the worker the extra wages he needs to make up for the cost of living, he argued.

This is primarily a move to kill the 40-hour week. The U. S. Chamber of Commerce, in its recent testimony at House committee hearings, has already demanded the scrapping of the 40-hour limit. McGraw Hill Publications are campaigning for the proposal and polling managements on it.

The worker can readily see the employer's viewpoint. Not satisfied with exploiting the worker to the limit by squeezing more out of him within the 40 hours, the boss also tries to expand the work-week. But Green's argument is ridiculous. Are there many major employers in the country who cannot get their employees to work 45 and more hours a week by paying overtime rates? Unions may ban a longer week or hold down the amount of overtime, where substantial unemployment exists. But even Green wouldn't justify overtime hours in such situations.

EMPLOYERS MAY NOT, however, find Green's argument so ridiculous. Since he argues as they do basically, he does open the door to a longer work-week. He puts another one of labor's historic New Deal gains on the table to be whittled down or bargained away.

Perhaps it is not an accident that Green called for the 45-hour week on the very day that he announced plans to call together labor leaders (such of them as would come) of the 16 Marshall Plan countries for concerted action to put over that project of Wall Street.

In the view of some labor leaders labor should forget about higher standards or even restoration of the standard that existed before OPA was scrapped. And if the Wage-Hour Act has to be scrapped, too, it is all part of the "sacrifice" we must make to put over the Marshall Plan. Wall Street and its friends in the labor movement are, indeed, "generous" with the standards of the workers.

WHAT WILLIAM GREEN has not pointed out is the fact that it is becoming increasingly crowded in labor hiring halls. A study of Bureau of Labor Statistics reports will show that automobile workers did not have a single month in 1947 in which the average work-week was 40 hours. Only last March averaged above 39 hours. The average number of hours worked in all manufacturing was only around 40.6 hours last January, the top for 1947.

Green has also forgotten some other major factors in the wage-price-hours picture. He has forgotten to tell the committee that the biggest stimulus to the increase in prices is the pressure for all the profit that the traffic will bear. It is already driven up to the \$17 billion per annum level. Couldn't some wage increases come out of this mountain of profit?

Nor has Green paid attention to the disclosures of his own researchers that productivity has climbed up to unheard of heights—but so have prices. And he overlooks entirely the warnings even of capitalist economists, including President Truman's economic advisers, that we are in for a bust. They only differ on how soon it will come—this year, next year or, at the latest, in 1950.

Instead of listening to some of his AFL affiliates which are already worried over coming unemployment and see the need of a shorter work-week, Green is trying to find a bridge to the proposal of the employers for a longer work week.

Sign Soviet, Polish Trade Agreement

LONDON, Jan. 27 (UP).—Soviet and Polish trade negotiators signed an agreement yesterday covering goods exchangeable from 1948 to 1952 totaling over \$1,000,000,000, a communiqué broadcast by Radio Moscow revealed today.

A credit agreement also signed yesterday provides that Russia grant Poland a medium term credit of \$450,000,000 for industrial equipment, particularly metallurgical plants.

Russia agreed to sell to Poland on credit a supplementary 200,000 tons of grain deliverable during the next three months.

Foster to Speak in Newark

NEWARK, Jan. 27.—The Communist Party of New Jersey today announced that its "Fight Back in '48" mass meeting will be held Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at the Mosque Theatre, 1020 Broad St.

The main speaker will be William Z. Foster, National Chairman of the Communist Party. Claudia Jones will be the only other speaker.

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Milk farmers in New York State received 1/16 of a cent a quart more for milk in December, 1947, than in December, 1946, according to Dr. C. J. Blandford, market administrator of the New York milk area. The uniform price of \$5.33 a hundred pounds will be paid to farmers for December deliveries as compared with \$5.30 for 1946.

But consumers paid 1 1/2 cents a quart more for fluid milk and six cents more a pound for butter last month than the same month a year before.

Dealers attribute a large part of this increase to the rise in wages paid milk drivers. Milk went up a cent a quart two months ago when the milk drivers were given raises of \$8 a week. Actually the added cost of the drivers' wages comes to exactly \$1,003, or one-eighth of a cent a quart.

If the farmer is getting a sixteenth of a cent more, and the milk driver an eighth, while the consumer is paying a cent and a half more, it might be interesting to look into the profits of the major milk concerns. Complete figures for 1947 are not available, but here is 1945 compared to 1946:

National Dairy 1945 1946
Sheffield's ... \$14,113,579 \$25,443,817
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Figures have been released for Borden's for the first half of 1947, showing an increase of \$1,080,000 over the corresponding period of 1946.

Vets to Be Guests

Guests of honor at the third Franklin D. Roosevelt Birthday Memorial Concert at the Waldorf-Astoria, Jan. 30, will be 66 hospitalized veterans, when an audience of 2,000 will contribute \$100,000 to the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

House Body OKs GOP Tax Bill

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The House Ways and Means Committee by a straight party vote of 15 to 9 today approved the Knutson bill to cut income taxes by 10 to 30 percent for all taxpayers.

The Rules Committee will meet tomorrow to fix a time limit on debate.

The bill is expected to be brought up in the House Thursday, and GOP leaders predict it will pass next Monday.

Four Democrats joined the 15 Republicans on the Ways and Means Committee in voting under, 19 to 5, President Truman's plan for \$40 "cost of living" tax credits for everybody, accompanied by new excess profits taxes on wealthy corporations.

The Knutson bill would raise personal tax exemptions from \$500 to \$600 and allow married couples to split their income for tax purposes.

In the Negro Press

By John Hudson Jones

THE PHILADELPHIA TRIBUNE hits the "separate but equal facilities" loophole in the Supreme Court Oklahoma U. ruling. It was "purely a method to evade the issue of assuring Negroes proper educational opportunities. One of these days the Supreme Court will face that issue and stop evading it."

THE AFRO-AMERICAN was only "disappointed a little" at the high court decision. It feels that the court "tagged" the Southern states "in their game of hide and seek" and "from now stop evading it."

THE PITTSBURGH COURIER accepts the Oklahoma U. ruling with no criticism. It thinks "the whole educational setup in the

South is challenged as never before."

THE NORFOLK JOURNAL AND GUIDE says the "basic issue is still not ruled on" by the Supreme Court in the Oklahoma U. case. "It did not . . . go the further step that was asked of it . . . which was to rule as unconstitutional all forms of educational segregation. A favorable ruling on that issue would have removed all semblance of legality from the dual or segregated mode of schooling . . ."

By its "rulings in successive test cases . . ." the high court, says the Journal and Guide, "doomed the continuance . . . of sharp inequities in the provisions made, with the minority citizens getting the raw deal."

THE AMSTERDAM NEWS says that "while it is not a total victory, it is another step, leading by gradual democratic means toward the elimination of racism, prejudice and segregation from the institutions of our country."

THE PEOPLE'S VOICE says of the Oklahoma U. ruling: "We cannot accept any interpretation of the 'equal protection' clause of the 14th Amendment . . . which allows a state to practice segregation . . ."

THE CHICAGO DEFENDER is still being put out by scab labor, which pastes up typewritten dummies and photo-offsets them.

VIRGIL—No Keeping Up With Youngsters



By LEN KLEIS

Relief Dept. Orders War Widow To Take Child Out of Nursery

Mrs. Sandra Atlas is a war widow and makes \$25 a week. Her four-year-old son Miles has been ordered out of the city's child care center by Feb. 9, because Mrs. Atlas refuses to answer questions a-la-relief style to the Department of Welfare. "I have no bank accounts," she said yesterday.

Fielding and O'Dwyer yesterday refused to answer questions or whose incomes exceed relief standards.

A picket-line demonstration is planned for Monday at 10:30 a.m. in front of the Welfare Department building, 902 Broadway.

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French Unions Firm Against Splitters

By Benoit Frachon

General Secretary,
Confederation of French Labor

PARIS, Jan. 27.—The Secessionists of the Workers Force (Force Ouvrière) are trying very hard to make us believe they're a success. They regularly announce the affiliation of hundreds of regional and national unions. Bouzanquet, though he still fools many people who will someday discover the role he has played, shouts that he has distributed more than a million union cards.

The American Associated Press itself points out that these cards are printed and delivered to anyone who wants them and are not necessarily even in the hands of union members.

Our comrades from northern France inform us that Workers Force cards are sent gratis and with a dues stamp attached to the members of the Builders Union there without even first consulting them.

SECESSIONISTS BLUFF

This bluff gives a false impression, for a few days, of the split to the Americans who inspired it and support it.

Furthermore, it is necessary to invent a workingclass base for the launching of this "Third Force" which was started with such difficulties by the leaders of the reactionary Socialists and the MRP.

The Secessionist strikebreakers of the Railroad Maintenance workers ("les cheminots") and the miners claim an increasing number of members.

Publication of the number of organized members of these industries—and these figures can be verified—will show that they claim more union members than there are workers employed.

With all their exaggerated bluff the Secessionists still generously concede us 2,000,000 followers.

Let us calmly analyze this situation. We will quote facts, nothing but verifiable facts. This year our unions have sent out the same number of cards as they did at the same period last year.

Several regional unions have already told us that the distribution of these cards goes faster this year than last. Out of 95 regional unions only five have seen the majority of their leaders go over to the Workers Force. These leaders have immediately been replaced by leaders faithful to the CGT who everywhere receive the immense majority of the votes of the union membership.

Only three unions have had to make a choice between the CGT and the Workers Force: Office Workers, Civil Service and Tobacco Workers.

Out of 6,433,500 cards delivered by the CGT at the end of September, 1947, these three unions held 573,000.

They were led by men of the Workers Force. However, the Civil Service and Tobacco Workers Unions voted against their leaders and for continued affiliation to the CGT. The National Council of the Office Workers have in the majority followed Capoccia in his secession. But this majority, due to the "democratic" and Western inspired principles of the Workers Force, really represented a minority of the union membership.

MAJORITY BACK CGT

The situation within these three unions is the following:

Office Workers—Out of 250,000 union members, 150,000 have already declared that they are remaining in the CGT. More still will come from the remaining 100,000 and even the most generous estimations don't give more than 50,000 to Capoccia.

Civil Service—Out of 305,000 members (with cards from the CGT) at least 200,000 stayed with the CGT. As in the case of the Office Workers, Bonnial of the Workers Force will not get half of the other 100,000 as a large num-



FRACHON

ber of them will remain with the CGT.

Tobacco Workers—At least 10,000 of the 18,000 followers of the CGT have already declared themselves for the CGT.

Altogether out of a total of 573,000 membership cards, 360,000 represent those who are faithful to the CGT.

Out of the 213,000 left, only a part have gone over to the Secessionists. The leadership of three other unions is favorable to the Secessionists: Air-War-Marine, 21,000 cards; Public Works, 86,000 cards; Finance, 80,000; total, 187,000 cards. It is not exaggerating to say that about half of the members of these unions

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will stay with the CGT or soon rejoin it.

Two other unions, National Education, 205,000 cards, and Book Workers, 75,000 cards, are going to hold a poll of their membership. We have enough confidence in the good sense of these union members not to embark on a secessionist course. All the more so since the Civil Servants cannot be proud exactly of their leaders in the Workers Force who have always been more concerned with Socialist or Workers Force politics than with their (Civil Servant) demands.

Neither bluff nor propaganda can stand up against these facts. To be sure the Workers Force disrupters can count on the support of the government they have served so well and on the employers who have elected Jouhaux president of the Economic Council.

They can claim the formation of hundreds of unions that are in reality Socialist business groups. This does not prevent the CGT from being as powerful as ever.

All our militant members are convinced that we can publish a bulletin of victory for the first of May announcing that we have on that date as many members as in 1947.

Gen. Marshall and his agents in France who have been and still are so interested in the split in organized labor in our country will discover that they will have to lose their illusions and that they have sacrificed their dollars in vain.

They will learn that you cannot trust the fanfare and proclamations of those who are inclined to mistake dreams for realities. Especially when they have turned their backs on the interests of the working class and on national independence.

Press Roundup

THE HERALD TRIBUNE'S Homer Bigart reports from Athens the U. S. Mission's latest excuse for the Greek Army's failure to come through with its long promised offensive against the Greek Army. According to Maj. Gen. William G. Livesay it is because "the morale of the top command of the Greek Army is being undermined by political sniping in Athens," Bigart writes.

... He blamed both the Greek government and the Greek press for nagging attacks which he described as "the best psychological warfare on behalf of the bandits I have ever seen. General Livesay also said that the Greek Army's artillery is just as good as the guerrillas, but revealed he'd okayed a shipment of some mountain 75s from the U. S. ..."

Meanwhile, Bigart continues, "The Greeks are using only eight of some 50 British 3.7 mountain guns sent to Greece. The rest are in storage, while the Greek General Staff holds out for American 75s, which outrange the British guns by 3,000 yards..." Some American observers have suggested, the Tribune's man says, that "instead of demanding longer-range guns, the Greeks might try getting a little closer to the guerrillas..."

THE WORLD-TELEGRAM joins the "enthusiastic" response to British Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin's call for a western European Federation.

PM's Alexander H. Uhl writing from Washington has this to say about Senator Lodge's statement that the well-to-do abroad are not helping to support the American foreign aid program: "Behind that statement is the fact that the United States has become a financial sanctuary for many of Europe's wealthy who, in effect, are not willing to risk their own money in the reconstruction of their own countries, but are quite willing that we risk ours..."

THE MIRROR heads its editorial "The Franc Goes Honest" and explains: "What France has done is to create a free market for the franc within the nation and 'export franc' with a pegged exchange of 214 to the dollar. Thus, the French exporter gets a break..."



"Franc"-tic Speculators: Gamblers on the French Stock Exchange had a grand time when news of the devaluation of the franc became public.

War Dep't. Behind Blacklist of Scientists

By Miriam Kolk

By Federated Press

When the great powers clash in the United Nations and talk of war fills the air, the impact is felt around the world. But it is also felt under the UN's roof, a brief walk away from the General Assembly hall through a maze of corridors into the production side of the Sperry Gyroscope Co.'s Lake Success plant.

There in the laboratories of the great plant a deep uneasiness exists among scientists whose experimental work helped win the war. It is an uneasiness that exists throughout the U. S. and gathers depth as word of the "purge" passes through the labs and over assembly lines.

With it goes the even more dreaded word "blacklist."

Firing of scientists from private plants operating on government contracts has been going on for months under a greater blanket of secrecy than surrounds the loyalty dismissals of government employees.

Federated Press has direct knowledge of two firings at Sperry's, although management has tacitly admitted to more. Similar cases involve scientific and production personnel at RCA-Victor, Federal Telephone & Communications, Westinghouse and Sylvania.

How many victims have been claimed by the government's drive to eliminate what it calls "bad security risks" is impossible to determine. Official figure given FP by the War Dept. is 90, but there is no way of telling how many just resigned, how many quit in disgust at government policy, which in many cases apparently makes pro-union activity or advocacy of such a New Deal measure as FEPC grounds for suspicion.

IGNORES FP QUERY

The War Department ignored an FP query about whether names of employees fired for security reasons are circulated among all government contract plants. Evidence that a blacklist exists came from one of the dismissed Sperry scientists, whose record also includes being fired from Ft. Monmouth in 1942 for union activity.

Intent on remaining in his profession of radio electronics despite his dismissal from Sperry's last October, Scientist A made the rounds of all the smaller engineering firms in this area without turning up a single job.

The truth came out when he called the Servo-Engineering Co. at Lindenhurst, N. J., and gave his name. "Are you the (name) who was recently let go at Sperry's?" he was asked. When he said Yes, he was told the company had been recently forced to discharge one of its workers by the government and couldn't take a chance on him.

Scientist A found the blacklist airtight. Companies with government contracts would not hire him. Companies without government contracts brought the food index 10.7 percent

above a year ago.

Without a strong union to protect them, Sperry's scientific workers are more vulnerable to such tactics. Demoralized by the dismissals of the two scientists and rumors of other firings, a number of Sperry scientists I spoke to told me they were planning to look for jobs where they wouldn't have to do "war work."

Their reaction is typical. Meanwhile, hundreds of research posts go begging as more and more scientists leave the field, unable to carry on their work in the current atmosphere of false secrecy, fear and insecurity.

Such has been the effect of the government's secret purges, aimed at the nation's most creative workers and carried out with notable un-American regard for the Bill of Rights.

Food Prices Rise

Retail prices of 50 foods comprising the index of food costs for New York City scored an average advance of 1.1 percent during the period from Nov. 15 to Dec. 15, 1947, it was announced yesterday. The regional office of the Bureau of Labor Statistics said the new increase brought the food index 10.7 percent

Aid Nazis

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Glen Taylor, Idaho Democrat; Olin Downes, New York Times music critic; Rexford G. Tugwell, University of Chicago; Ira Hirschmann, radio executive, and Jo Davidson, sculptor.

"We told the world we would remove the war guilty," said the statement. "We have failed to do so. The whole job of cleaning out Nazis—denazification—has long since been turned back to the Germans. Repeated amnesties toward Nazis have been declared. At best, no more than a third of the possible war criminals were ever screened. We have not even removed war-makers from the most important jobs in Germany, and Nazis and their financial supporters have been allowed to return to their positions of power."

The statement listed Baron Kurt von Schroeder, Poengsen, Dinkelbach, and Abs as leading German industrialists "who planned the war" and are "still active and influential in western Germany."

PAL OF DULLES

Elaborating on the statement, Pomerantz pointed out that von Schroeder was a top liaison figure between Hitler and the German industrialists. John Foster Dulles, key figure in the group around Secretary Marshall, Pomerantz said, was an intimate business associate of von Schroeder through the law firm of Sullivan and Cromwell.

For his share of war guilt, Pomerantz declared, von Schroeder was sentenced to 90 days in jail and a 1,200 mark fine. Von Schroeder's fine, according to Pomerantz, amounted to the current German price of one and one half cartons of American cigarettes.

The State Department, according to the statement of the 37, has given no answer to Potsdam agreements to suppress the German General Staff, engineers of the Blitzkrieg.

"The Nazis and Junkers," the statement continued, "have been shielded by our own officials in military government—often men from influential corporations. The reason? It must be stated bluntly: hope of future gain and control of a base of operations in the dangerous game of power politics."

REVENGE ON REPARATIONS

Originally, the group charged, more than 1,500 industrial plants in Western Germany were marked for dismantling their equipment to be shipped to allied countries for reparations. This number, the document stated, was cut to 600 and during months of occupation no more than two dozen plants were actually dismantled or their war-making equipment destroyed in any degree.

"Every change in our plans for German economy," the document charged, "has given the Germans more industrial capacity at the expense of our wartime allies.... The Ruhr arsenal is still in the hands of war-makers."

Former Decartelization Chief Martin said the Nazi war-making cartel system, which the allies pledged to destroy, remains in the U.S.-British zones in its "essential features." There is every indication, said the statement of the 37, that major U. S. corporations are renewing and tightening their links with German industry."

HIT SEPARATE PEACE TALK

The document assailed bi-partisan talk about a separate peace with Western Germany. The results of such a policy, it charged, would be a "historical monstrosity," with the effort of the two parts of Germany to re-unite throwing "Europe into turmoil for decades."

"Much worse," the document added, "a separate peace with Western Germany would force a

wider breach among the allied powers which defeated Germany. It must be said, with full realization of the gravity of the charge, that a separate peace would be a long step toward war."

The 37 signers of the document concluded that "Germany must grow again as a democracy," that "the props of the Nazi war machine must be wrecked and the German cartel system replaced by a democratic form of economic organization"; and the basic policy of "some kind of unity of the Germans" agreed upon by the allies must be the U.S. policy.

TRUMAN TO GET COPY

Pomerantz said a copy of the statement of the 37 had been forwarded to President Truman and Secretary Marshall. He said the group expected the position set forth in the statement to be supported by wide sections of American opinion as soon as the people become aware of the dangers in the present U.S. policy in Germany.

Other signers of the statement were Louis Adamic, Zlatko Balokovic, former Minnesota Gov. Elmer Benson, Victor Bernstein of P.M., Rep. John A. Blatnik, Frank Doble, Allan R. Freelon, C. Montieth Gilpin, Rackham Holt, Charles S. Johnson, Robert Kenny, Carey McWilliams, Rev. F. Hastings Smyth, Frederick L. Schuman, Maurice Vischer, J. Raymond Walsh, J. Daniel Weitzman, Aubrey Williams and Dashiell Hammett.

I Was a Negro'

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to him. She says if a Negro wants justice he got to go somewhere else to get it because she can't give him justice in America. The people couldn't only put a rag over her eyes but would put a rope around her neck and hang her from the highest tree in the land."

Henderson, a former tobacco worker from Winston, N.C., spent much of his time in the death cell in painting.

PAINTED IN PRISON

One of his oil paintings, reproduced in a Portland newspaper, is a warm, appealing study of a farm scene, with the farmer's home in the foreground.

He was also the author of a moving story for the Oregon penitentiary journal, entitled *I Am Next*, which The Worker reprinted on Oct. 20, 1946.

Gov. Hall admitted that he had received more than 100 letters and telegrams in Henderson's behalf from such groups as the Oregon Prison Association, many churches, the Portland chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Urban League, taxpayers associations, etc.

The Civil Rights Association, the American Veterans Committee and John Gates, editor of the Daily Worker, were among the groups and persons protesting.

PRESS WORRIED

The volume of protests disturbed the conservative Portland Oregonian and the Portland Journal, which said they regretted the Governor's decision.

The protests show that "Portland needs to consider seriously what amounts to a vote of lack of confidence on the part of its colored people, and those who have enlisted themselves against race prejudice," said the Oregonian.

"Putting it in its broadest terms, a verdict against Henderson cannot be accepted as unprejudiced so long as Marian Anderson does not have the privilege of any other great artist."

To Build Homes in Zion for Polish Jews

Representatives of the World Federation for Polish Jews and the Rural and Suburban Settlement Co. of Tel Aviv, yesterday signed a contract calling for the construction of a large non-profit housing project in Palestine for homeless Polish Jewish refugees now in Germany, Austria and Italy who will go to Palestine on the inauguration of the New Jewish State.

TO LOTTIE

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Franc Crisis

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trading in gold, although it would not forgive persons guilty of illegal gold trafficking before the law would become effective.

The third part would abolish all present laws that make gold trading and hoarding credits abroad illegal.

Finance Minister Rene Mayer, arguing before the Assembly finance committee today, was understood to have read the members an article from a Swiss financial journal saying that twice as much gold was hidden in France as the Bank of France had in its vaults. Most of this gold is believed to have been hidden by peasants.

Mayer also was reported to have declared the Treasury was bare of foreign exchange last month.

BRITISH REACTION

LONDON, Jan. 27 (UP)—Britain's firm stand against devaluation of the pound sterling checked "jittery" selling of Government securities on the London Exchange today, although the financial district was still buzzing with rumors that the pound would soon fall.

The principal menace to Britain's financial position is the possibility that pounds bought cheaply on the French free market can be smuggled into the sterling trading area to compete with currency bought at the official rate.

The Evening News predicted that an international conference on currency stabilization would soon be called. The newspaper also reported that South Africa would come to Britain's aid with another sizeable gold loan.

The franc sank to new low levels on continental markets.

Dewey

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which jumped from less than \$9,000,000 to more than \$17,000,000 in the years from 1942 to 1948. The Governor's own executive chamber is now manned by 46 people instead of 29. Aside from general salary increases, the departments of Audit and Control, Agriculture, Civil Services, Conservation, State and Tax and Finance are operating at double the 1942 level, the Democrats charged.

Assailed also was the increase in the expenses of the Department of Public Works—from \$16,884,264 in 1942 to \$31,688,432 in 1948. Much of

the increase was the result of the

expansion of the public works program.

Secretary of Interior Krug admitted to another congressional committee that the fate of the Marshall Plan is integrally bound up with the expectation of large oil supplies from the Middle East.

These are the considerations which are behind the State Department's changing approach to Palestine. The great difficulty, however, in the way of a complete and abrupt about-face is the fact that this is an election year. President Truman has committed the administration to support of the United Nations decision. He cannot reverse that

the State's patronage is handled through this department.

On the other hand, the Labor Department was jumped only 6 percent.

ASSAIL "SALARY BOOSTS"

Despite Democratic introduction of numerous bills for high state employee pay, the study talked about "such enormous salary boosts."

Even these, it said, do not explain the doubling of state operating expenses in six years.

Democratic reluctance to tackle the issue of Dewey's cuts in income and business taxes, while trying to saddle the people in the communities with sales taxes and fare increases, is explained by the fact that the Democrats themselves are friendly to this aspect of the GOP program.

They have committed themselves to a fare increase in New York City and are asking "liberalization" of the local tax program, including sales taxes, instead of its repeal.

Gov. Dewey's state civil service wage proposals were rapped for their "inadequacies and inconsistencies" in a letter yesterday from Saul Mills, secretary of the City CIO Council. The proposed increases, Mills pointed out, would leave thousands below the minimum recommended by the State Labor Department.

Mills also enclosed an economic brief, submitted by the CIO United Public Workers, calling for a \$600 increase.



RAYMOND DUNCAN, 73, poet-philosopher brother of the late Isadora Duncan, arrives on the liner *De Grasse* in New York with a protege, Colette Champbeau, pianist. Duncan wears toga and sandals, says he keeps warm with "inner fire."

position without dropping several million votes.

For this reason the administration is seeking an agreement with the Republicans not to raise the Palestine issue during the election campaign.

According to James Reston of the *New York Times*, "efforts are being made to get President Truman and the leaders of the Republican Party together on a Palestine policy, so that domestic political factors do not in the future influence U. S. decisions of concern to the Holy Land."

If such an agreement is reached, there is no question but that the State Department will press forward rapidly to appease the Arab governments and betray the Jewish people.

JERUSALEM, Palestine, Jan. 27 (UP)—An American ship, the *Exporter*, which anchored off Tel Aviv today was ordered by British authorities tonight to sail for Haifa for a thorough search.

British officials said it was possible the ship carried arms and ammunition for the Haganah.

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MORNING

11:00-WNBC—Nora Drake
WOR—Prescott Robinson
WJZ—Breakfast with Breneman
WCBS—Arthur Godfrey
WNYC—Pass in Review
WQXR—News; Alma Dettinger
11:15-WNBC—Katie's Daughter
WOR—Tello-Test
11:30-WNBC—Jack Berch
WOR—Heart's Desire
WQXR—UN Newsreel
WCBS—Grand Slam
WNYC—BBC Newsreel
WJZ—Galen Drake
11:45-WNBC—Lora Lawton
WJZ—Ted Malone
WCBS—Rosemary
WQXR—Tom Scott

AFTERNOON

12:00-WNBC—Rad Hall
WOR—Kate Smith
WJZ—Welcome Travelers
WCBS—Wendy Warren
WQXR—News; Luncheon Concert
WNYC—Midday Symphony
12:15-WNBC—Metropolitan News
WCBS—Aunt Jenny
12:30-WNBC—Brookshire
WOR—News; Answer Man
WJZ—News; Nancy Craig
WCBS—Helen Trent
12:45-WNBC—Our Gal Sunday
12:55-WNBC—Farmer's Bulletins
1:00-WNBC—Mary Margaret McBride
WOR—Luncheon at Sardi's
WJZ—H. R. Baukage
WCBS—Big Sister
WNYC—String Music
WQXR—Midday Symphony
1:15-WJZ—Nancy Craig
WCBS—Ma Perkins
1:30-WJZ—Patti Barnes
WCBS—Young Dr. Malone
1:45-WNBC—Believe It or Not
WOR—Victor H. Lindlahr
WCBS—Guiding Light
2:00-WNBC—Today's Children
WOR—Queen for a Day
WJZ—Maggie McNeilis
WCBS—Second Mrs. Burton
WNYC—Weather: City News
WQXR—News: Encores
2:10-WNBC—Spotlight Varieties
2:15-WNBC—Woman in White
WCBS—Perry Mason
WQXR—Program Favorites
2:30-WNBC—Holly Sloan
WOR—Daily Dilemmas
WJZ—Bride and Groom
WCBS—Look Your Best
WNYC—N. Y. State Bar Symposium
WQXR—Curtain at 2:30
2:40-WNBC—Betty Crocker
2:45-WNBC—Light of the World
WCBS—Rose of My Dreams
WQXR—Musical Memory Game
3:00-WNBC—Life Can Be Beautiful
WOR—Barbara Welles
WJZ—Ladies, Be Seated
WCBS—Double or Nothing
WQXR—News: Opera Scenes
3:15-WNBC—Ma Perkins
3:30-WNBC—Pepper Young
WOR—Song of Stranger
WJZ—Paul Whiteman
WCBS—Art Linkletter
WNYC—UN Session
3:45-WNBC—Right to Happiness
WOR—Bob Reed, Songs
4:00-WNBC—Backstage Wife
WOR—Ladies' Man
WCBS—Hint Hunt
WQXR—News: Symphonic Matinee
WNYC—Basketball: Army vs.
Villanova
WQXR—News: Symphonic Matinee
4:15-WNBC—Stella Dallas
4:25-WCBS—News Reports
4:30-WNBC—Lorenzo Jones
WOR—Rambling With Gambling
WJZ—Treasury Band
WCBS—Galen Drake
4:45-WNBC—Young Wilder Brown
5:00-WNBC—When a Girl Marries
WOR—Hop Harrigan
WCBS—School of the Air
WNYC—Disk Date
WQXR—News: Today in Music

5:15-WNBC—Portia Faces Life
WOR—Superman
WJZ—Terry and the Pirates
WQXR—Stan Freeman, Piano
5:30-WNBC—Just Plain Bill
WOR—Captain Midnight
WJZ—Sky King
WOR—Winner Take All
WQXR—Cocktail Time
5:45-WNBC—Front Page Farrell
WOR—Tom Mix
EVENING
6:00-WNBC—Kenneth Banghart
WOR—Lyle Van
WJZ—Joe Hazel
WCBS—Eric Sevareid
WNYC—National Orchestral Association Rehearsal
WQXR—News: Music to Remember
6:15-WNBC—Bill Stern
WOR—On the Century
WJZ—Ethel and Albert
WCBS—Talks
6:20-WNBC—Dick Leibert
6:30-WNBC—Million Shrednik Orchestra
WOR—News—Fred Vandeverter
WJZ—Patt Barnes
WCBS—Lum 'n' Abner
WQXR—Dinner Concert
6:45-WNBC—Three Star Extra
WOR—Stan Lomax
WCBS—Lowell Thomas
WNYC—Weather: Aviation
7:00-WNBC—Supper Club
WOR—Fulton Lewis, Jr.
WJZ—Headline Edition
WCBS—Beulah
WNYC—Masterpiece Hour
WQXR—News: Concert Stage
7:15-WNBC—News of the World
WOR—Answer Man
WJZ—Elmer Davis
WCBS—Jack Smith
7:30-WNBC—John Duffy and Marilyn, Songs
WOR—Carey Longmire
WJZ—Lone Ranger
WCBS—Club 15
WQXR—Concert
7:45-WNBC—Kaltenborn
WOR—Bill Brandt
WCBS—Edward R. Murrow
8:00-WNBC—Dennis Day
WOR—Can You Top This?
WJZ—Mayor of the Town
WCBS—Melody Hour
WQXR—News: Symphony Hall
8:30-WNBC—Great Gildersleeve
WOR—Boston Blackie
WJZ—Van Fog
WCBS—Dr. Christian
WNYC—Masters Music
8:45-WCBS—Bill Henry
WOR—Billy Rose
9:00-WNBC—Duffy's Tavern
WOR—Gabriel Heatter
WJZ—Abbott and Costello
WCBS—Mark Warnow
WQXR—News: Concert Hall
9:15-WOR—Poems—A. L. Alexander
9:30-WNBC—District Attorney
WOR—Box 13—Sketch
WJZ—Groucho Marx
WCBS—Sweeney and March
WNYC—Facts for Veterans
WQXR—Designs in Harmony
9:45-WQXR—Great Names
WNYC—News
10:00-WNBC—Big Story
WOR—Bulldog Drummond
WJZ—Bing Crosby
WCBS—Whistler
WQXR—News: Opera Preview
10:30-WNBC—Jimmy Durante
WOR—Symphonette
WJZ—Tony Martin Show
WCBS—Escape
WQXR—Jacques Pray
11:00-WNBC—News: Music
WOR—News: Music
WJZ—News: Music
WCBS—News: Overseas Report
WQXR—News: U. N. This Week
11:15-WQXR—Hours of Symphony
WCBS—Robert Q. Lewis Show
11:30-WNBC—Your United Nations
WCBS—Galen Drake
12:00-WNBC—WCBS—News: Music
WOR, WJZ—News: Music
WQXR—News: Reports

Crossword Puzzle

HORIZONTAL
1-Fruit drink
4-Hypothetical force
6-Capital of Egypt
11-To chase
13-Bearlike
15-Preposition
16-Aquatic mammal
18-The holm oak
19-English river
21-Lampreys
22-Compass point
23-Fighter
26-Observe
29-Chamber for baking
31-Solo
33-Colloquial: mother
34-3.1416
35-To sleep
38-Sweet potato
39-Conjunction
40-While
41-Succulent plant
43-To merit
45-Garland
47-Strong current
50-Symbol for sodium
52-Reverly
53-To recede
55-Burden
58-Toward the center
60-Indian mulberry
61-Constellation
63-Narcotic
65-Blightest
66-Note of scale
67-Man's nickname

VERTICAL
1-Footless animal
2-Ridge of sand
3-Teutonic deity
4-External
5-To prevent
6-Unmethodical
7-Land measure
8-Wife of Osiris
9-Annoys
10-Prenoun
12-Thus
14-Former
17-Lamb's penname
20-Female sheep
24-Girl's name
25-Inlet
27-God of love

Answer to Yesterday's Puzzle

P	R	P	P	A	P	A	H	E	L	P
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Life of the Party

Pipeline to Moscow?

No—To Tremont Section, Bronx

By Elizabeth Gurley Flynn

WISH WE HAD A DOLLAR for the Fund Drive for every time that corny "pipeline" story is sprung. Moscow gold? We've been hearing about it since 1917. But

it is big steel, wire, and such like capitalists who do business with the USSR, and they are not

squeamish about taking

all they can get. I did get a

pair of knitted mittens from

the Soviet delegation at the

International Congress of

Women. Maybe I should register as a foreign agent, in consequence?

No, it's not "Moscow gold" that makes the Communist Party tick. It's gold from California, Texas and the Bronx. We Party members are in the process of digging out the nuggets right now, for our annual Fund Drive.

Every year we give the reactionaries who pollute this fair land a shock. They can't understand it. They spent a whole year reviling us, attacking us, threatening to outlaw our legal political party, focusing nation-wide attention on our activities—and we continue to grow, to build our press, to publish books and pamphlets, hold bigger and better meetings, and now, as usual, we carry on our financial drive for sums which astound them.

HOW IS IT done here in New York, for instance, where 40 percent of the grand total of \$650,000 had already been raised before last week-end? This is where we have the biggest organi-

zation of our Party, with many friends and sympathizers in a broad circle around it.

It also has its own tremendous political responsibilities in state, counties, cities, all of which require financing. We cannot have a strong Communist Party unless it has a firm foundation in the sections and branches. That is why 44.6 percent of \$290,000 will remain in the branches, sections, and counties of New York State.

FIGURES are impressive, but people, especially our wonderful comrades, are far more impressive. We have Wal St. in New York but no "pipeline" runs there either. No—our pipeline runs to places like the Tremont Section, Bronx.

I want to tell you about it not because it's exceptional, but rather because it's typical of what Communists are like. Gene Pearlstein, its organizer, tells me of their Italian-American club, a small club of poor people in a poor neighborhood. Their quota of \$1,500 seemed impossible. They planned to work swiftly and dramatically.

The Executive Committee led off by raising their own quotas and promising money for the meeting next night. They set out to visit key comrades, the last one they woke up at 12:30. But he was glad it was his comrades, not stormtroopers, and pledged \$100 instead of \$40, and by next day, Due to their effort 22 members came to the meeting.

Each Executive Committee

member turned in \$100 in cash and told why they made this sacrifice. One wasn't working steady, two others supported families. Betty, the branch organizer, though unemployed, pledged to raise \$50. Lou, a vet, proposed a slogan, "Every Vet—\$100 from his bonus," and gave his immediately. Lou's brother, Jerry, not to be outdone, changed his quota from \$50 to \$100. Johnny, a newcomer, made his \$100, as did Gabrielle and Tony.

One young comrade pledged \$75. "How?" someone asked dubiously. "I'll hock my guitar!"

Then Doris spoke. She is a widow with a five year old son. She tries to tell her boy why he is fatherless. It is hard for him to understand, she said. "I feel the Party will fill the gap, as a father to my boy." There were tears in the listener's eyes as she pledged \$100.

A NEW RECRUIT upped his quota from \$25 to \$100. A comrade who was in Greece with the Partisans spoke in Italian and gave \$50. A friend (not a member) rushed up with \$25—his rent money. "Let the landlord wait!" he said.

Net result: \$767.00 in cash; \$1,200 pledged by Sunday.

Who can discourage, suppress, or conquer the working-class—of which such comrades as these are the true sons and daughters? What does Tremont say to you and me?" "The pipeline" is to the people all around us. If there are any non-Party readers of this column who want to contribute to the Fund Drive, even if you do not care to have your name used, send it as a friend, care of this column, and it will be credited to help the club in the section where you live or to your state.

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'Lions and Shadows,' Sherwood's Autobiography.

By DAVID CARPENTER

IN THE MIDDLE THIRTIES a group of young middle-class British poets, among whom were W. H. Auden, Christopher Isherwood, Stephen Spender and C. Day Lewis, attached themselves to the left-wing labor movement and the Communist Party.

Frightened by the endless economic crisis of British capitalism

LIONS AND SHADOWS, by Christopher Isherwood. 312 pp. New York. New Directions. \$3.

and overwhelmed emotionally by the heroism of the Loyalists in the Spanish Civil War, they used their considerable talents in the interest of the democratic forces fighting world fascism.

But the defeat of the Spanish Loyalists by the Nazis and fascists, acting through their stooge Franco, dampened their enthusiasm, and they began to look for personal escapes, which they found in Hollywood, mysticism, yogism, etc.

Isherwood, in his autobiographical *Lions and Shadows*, reveals unconsciously how it was possible for these poets to become turncoats so swiftly and with such ease.

Even though this book was written in 1938, before Isherwood began to drift away from the progressive movement, in delineating the adolescence and early young manhood of the poet, it bares his emotional weaknesses and instabilities.

Beginning with his years at preparatory school, Isherwood explains how his generation of middle-class adolescents were left hanging in mid-air by the end of World War I, in which they had been led to believe that they would participate heroically. He shows how this affected all his relationships.

From his first days at preparatory school through his undergraduate years at Cambridge University, Isherwood was constantly seeking for a strong personality to whom to attach himself. Frantically he would shift from one boy or man to another in this search.

Not for him, according to the incidents he sees fit to include in his autobiography, were the ordinary normal adventure and romance of the usual adolescent and young man. Instead, he and the strong personality to whom he attached himself would retire to a world of fantasy, in which they would fortify themselves against the real world which they believed to be collaborating in a conspiracy against them. They hated the real world and they were afraid of it.

Yet, they were constantly seeking in that real world some strength whereby they might overcome their weakness. As Isherwood declares in the book, if at that time he had been approached by a fascist he might have become a fascist himself.

BUT NO FASCIST sought him out, and the impact of the Spanish civil war was tremendous. So he attached himself to the pro-

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gressive movement for a while. But he could not stand the temporary defeat of the democratic forces by fascism and its allies. So he and his conferees had to retire to their world of fantasy again.

Children's Books

NOW TRY THIS: A Second 'Let's Find Out' Picture-Science Book. By Herman and Nine Schneider. William Scott. New York. 40 pp. \$1.50.

WATCH THE BIRDIE. Story and pictures by Phyllis Rowland. William Scott. New York. 40 pp. \$1.50.

EXPERIMENTS that older boys and girls can carry out in "the different ways of dragging, lifting and rolling that are used to make the job of moving a load easier" are simply and entertainingly presented in *Now Try This: A Second Let's Find Out Picture-Science Book*.

The 40-page book has three sections, "Drag It Along," which explains friction; "Lift It Up," all about levers, crowbars, see-saws and inclined planes at work; and "Roll It Away," which tells of rollers, wheels and ballbearings.

Text and the lively illustrations combine to make the experiments readily understandable and fun. There are 18 experiments in all, plus a super picture quiz to test the young reader on what's he's read and done.

Watch the Birdie is a charming little story of new parents' determined efforts to take a picture of a baby which will prove to far-off grandma how beautiful baby really is.

Of course, they never do manage. But fortunately, when baby finally does decide to smile, grandma has just arrived and can see for herself. This one is for the small fry. The illustrations are pleasant and sprightly. —R. F.

New Pamphlet By Jerome Off Press

NEW CENTURY Publishers has issued *Culture in a Changing World: A Marxist Approach*, by V. J. Jerome. The booklet, which sells for 35 cents, is based on the text of the author's address to a Marxist cultural conference last June. The conference was under the auspices of the magazines *Mainstream* and *New Masses*, on the editorial boards of which V. J. Jerome has served.

The author, who is editor of *Political Affairs*, has written numerous pamphlets, among them *The Treatment of Defeated Germany*. *Culture in a Changing World* will be issued in a cloth bound edition on Feb. 5.

TWO presidential candidates, President Harry S. Truman and former Secretary of Commerce Henry A. Wallace, are profiled in the forthcoming book, *Heirs Apparent*, a study of the vice-presidents of the United States by Clyde Young and Lamar Middleton, to be published by Prentice-Hall on March 15.

Assessing Henry Wallace as one of the ablest and most effective vice-presidents to hold that comparatively anonymous office, the authors present a detailed and sympathetic portrait of the "third party" candidate, according to the publisher.

Among other vice-presidents whose biographies are included in *Heirs Apparent* are Daniel D. Tompkins, Richard M. Johnson, John C. Calhoun.

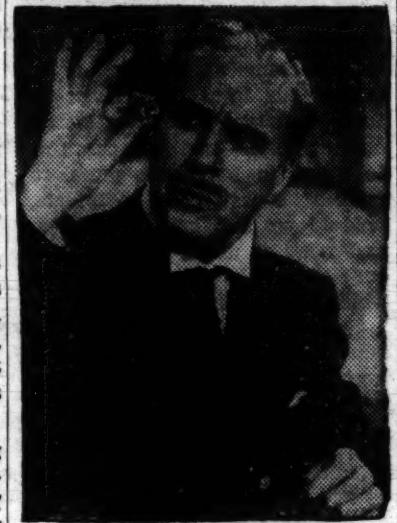
Hollywood:

Chaplin And His Critics

By David Platt

GOOD TO SEE the American Veterans Committee of New York starting the ball rolling to get Charlie Chaplin's *Monsieur Verdoux* exhibited in local theatres in this area. Selected as the "best film of 1947" by the National Board of Review of Motion Pictures, *Verdoux* has been practically boycotted by exhibitors here because of a pressure and letter-writing campaign organized by the top brass of the Catholic War Veterans. "That campaign was based not on the merits of the film," the AVC says, but upon "objections to Mr. Chaplin's citizenship and his politics. It is tantamount to political censorship."

PARIS press and radio critics who previewed *Verdoux* at a private screening last week hailed it as Chaplin's greatest production, according to reports. But 32 years ago (in 1916) when his first full-length film, *Tillie's Punctured Romance* opened in Paris, French critic Jean Yvel wrote: "Chaplin's art, if we may call it so without profaning the word is more simian



CHARLIE CHAPLIN

than human. Chaplin is not a comedian, he is a two-penny—ha-penny jumping jack!" *Tillie's Punctured Romance* is still around (it popped up the other day on Times Square). Anybody know the whereabouts of Jean Yvel? . . .

ALL HIS life Chaplin has had to contend with ivory tower critics like Yvel who sneered at people's art. In 1919, *Theatre Magazine* ran an essay by its film critic titled *Is The Chaplin Vogue Passing?* The author predicted that "in five years" Chaplin's popularity "would be a thing of remote antiquity." Echoing Yvel of Paris, he asserted: "The most case-hardened Chaplin fan can hardly deny that this popular slapstick comedian's appeal is extremely unintellectual and caters only to the lowest human instincts."

Chaplin's *Sunnyside*, one of his finest comedies, was in circulation at the time. And five years later, in 1924, when he was supposed to be dead artistically, Charlie was completing *The Gold Rush*, a great classic today.

Even as late as 1942 the "Chaplin vogue" was labelled "a fad" by a well known "critic" of the arts. He blasted Charlie as a "ham throwing custard pies in crude productions, a has-been." He said: "Those who called him immortal are mistaken. His stuff is just tricks and his fogue is a fad." The author of this raving attack on the screen's greatest artist? Westbrook Pegler. His hatred toward Chaplin was understandable if unreasonable. He had just seen his anti-fascist *The Great Dictator*.

YESTERDAY, it was *Tillie's Punctured Romance*, today it's *Monsieur Verdoux* that's under fire from the Peglers and bigots. They may win a battle here and there. But in the long run you can place your bets on Charlie Chaplin. His films are too deeply rooted in the realities of life to be ignored for long.

Today's Film:

'Holiday Camp' Better Than Most

By Herb Tank

A FILM with moments of real warmth and good humor, *Holiday Camp* doesn't measure up in its entirety to the standards set by many of its individual scenes. It still manages to be better than most.

This British film has its setting in a huge summer camp that manufactures vacations on an assembly line. Dividing its attention equally among some dozen characters *Holiday Camp* documents that hectic two-week vacation in which the characters attempt to crowd the happiness missing from the rest of the year. Jumping from one char-

HOLIDAY CAMP. Produced by Sydney Box. Directed by Ken Annakin. Screenplay by Muriel and Sydney Box and Peter Rogers. Camera by Jack Cox. With Flora Robson, Jack Warner, Dennis Price, and Hazel Court. At the Park.

acter to another the film relates their separate stories in Grand Hotel fashion.

ALMOST AS OFTEN as the camera jumps from one character to another the film changes its viewpoint. Sometimes it views the summer camp's attempts at mass produced happiness with a sharp satirical eye. The regimentation, the loud speaker blaring away with jovial tones telling the campers what to do every few minutes and the desperate struggle to have the good time they are paying for, are depicted truthfully with social bite. Sometimes it turns to an old boy-girl problem and the camera becomes overly sentimental. Sometimes it just views the proceedings with hearty good humor. But *Holiday Camp* is at its best when it turns away from biting satire on the one hand and sentimentality on the other, and honestly and simply, with understanding and compassion, tells its pathetic, desperate tale of a two-week struggle for happiness in a summer camp. It's an eloquent story.

A film in which almost a dozen characters take center stage at one time or another is a tough thing to hang together. Director Ken Annakin has done a good job. Each character is sharply outlined and imme-



dately established the moment he is introduced. The couple with children grown up, the war widow, the lonely sailor, the card sharps, the pianist and his girl friend, and many others make up the numerous threads that create the picture's pattern. The director never lets you forget any of them.

HOLIDAY CAMP has an enormous cast and a satisfying one. Particularly warm and real performances were contributed by Jack Warner and Hazel Court as Joe and Jean Huggett, the couple with the grown children. Although much of their vacation is spent repeating domestic quarrels they find moments to talk of their lives together "for the first time since the kids were born."

This British film is an unpretentious picture with a concern for people, their humor and problems, their yearnings and frustrations. The good points of *Holiday Camp* manage to overshadow the bad ones.

MAN OF THE SEA, the latest Italian import to play at the Cinema Dante, is a conventional film romance indicating that the Italians can make second rate films, too.

MAN OF THE SEA. Directed by Roberto de Riba and B. L. Randone; with Maria Mercader, Massimo Serato, Enrico Glori and Elio Parvo. Italian film with English titles at the Cinema Dante.



A seaman falls in love with a girl who is being forced to marry against her will. After considerable run of the mill plotting true love wins out. Natch. Some of the picture's fishing scenes are moderately interesting. Most of the film, though, looks as if it were shot in a studio.

The direction is conventional and the actors turn in stock performances.

Music:

Noted Conductor to Offer New Russian Symphony

DEAN DIXON, conductor of the American Youth Orchestra, plans to inaugurate a new symphony concert time. On Friday night, February 6, at 11:30 p.m. at Town Hall, the noted conductor will perform

for the first time in America the recent work of the well-known Russian composer Nicolai Miaskovsky, the Symphony No. 24.

The novel hour was selected by Mr. Dixon because of the many requests by people, especially in the theatre and the medical profession, who are unable to attend concerts during the regular concert hours.

The program will consist of:

1—Miaskovsky: Symphony No. 24

2—Bach-Goedike: Passacaglia

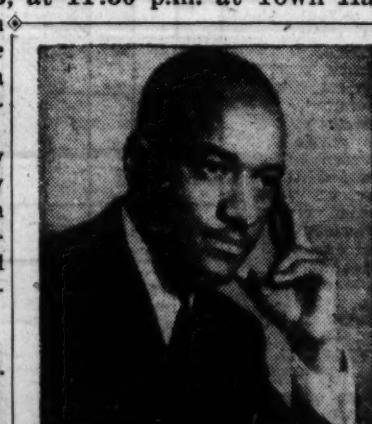
3—Mozart Concerto For Two

Pianos; Vivian Rivkin & Eugene Haynes, soloists

4—Tchaikovsky: Romeo and Juliet Overture.

Mr. Dixon and his American Youth Orchestra are noted for inculcating a love for worthwhile

symphonic music in the youth of



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Around the Dial

Two New Audience-Participation Shows Coming Up on WOR

By Bob Lauter

WOR is coming up with two new audience-participation shows, neither of which threatens to be entertaining. Audience participation becomes a bigger thing every day, and it's too bad a little ingenuity isn't applied to this type of program.

Beginning Feb. 2, WOR will present the new Barbara Welles show. Barbara will question guest celebrities on matters pertaining to women's clothes, cosmetics, and "man-appeal" (so help me!). In addition, two men picked from the audience will be asked to comment on the ensemble of a woman chosen as the day's best-dressed. This program can be avoided from 4:00 to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

WOR's second new audience participation show can also be avoided five times a week (Monday through Friday) from 3:00 to 3:30 p.m. This will be called Movie Matinee and will originate from the stage of the Palace Theatre in Duffy Square. Audience participants will be quizzed on movies and motion picture stars. They will compete for a number of prizes. I don't know if Ginger Rogers' mother is among the awards.

Not to be outdone, WJZ-ABC will introduce a new show, Hollywood Headlines, on Saturday, Jan. 31, at 10:30 a.m. This program of Hollywood film news and comment will feature gossip, exclusive "scoops," and, says the release, "a hitherto unknown facet of the life of a particular film luminary."

Could it be that Hollywood is hoping to make up for falling box



JANE FROMAN, singing star on Percy Faith's orchestral program, CBS, Sunday at 6:30 p.m.



WILLIAM BENDIX is 'Riley' on the WNBC comedy show Saturday at 8 p.m.

office receipts by a rash of radio publicity? After the firings, it's certainly going to be hard to sell what Hollywood produces.

Heres' a "hitherto unknown facet" of the life of Robert Taylor: he can't act.

HEARD HELEN TRAUBEL, famous Wagnerian soprano, on Al Schach's Sports Show (WOR, Saturday, 8:30 p.m.). Miss Traubel did herself proud. She knows batting averages, baseball history, and a lot of other facts that make it clear how she spends her time away from the Met.

NEXT THURSDAY Candid Microphone (WJZ, 8 p.m.) will feature an off-the-record conversation with Joe Louis, recorded without his knowledge (but presented with his consent).

DON PRIOR (Washington Report, WCBS, 11:15 p.m., Sunday) believes that the Republicans, by and large, are sorry about the Eisenhower statement. Although Eisenhower was an "outsider," polls were indicating that he was the Republican best-bet.

Earlier on Sunday, Phil LaFollette further degraded his family's good name by taking to the air in behalf of Gen. Douglas MacArthur (despite Eisenhower's statement about the military in politics).

It's Prior's feeling that Dewey now has the inside track. Prior thinks it's quite possible that we will see a Dewey-Stassen or Dewey-Vandenberg ticket.

Late Sunday night (11:15, WOR) Stassen took to the air on a "non-political" program called My Favorite Kid. Stassen's favorite kid turned out to be a 13-year-old accordionist (who played very well). It so happened that the boy's father was the Republican mayor of North Pelham. Stassen referred to the boy as his "favorite Republican." Then Stassen dragged in a line about his own "two fine children" who have "top priority in his affection."

If the program had been televised, I'm sure Stassen would have kissed a few babies.

My favorite Republican is still Lincoln.

(For radio listings see Page 11.)



SHIRLEY MITCHELL portrays Martha in 'Tales of Willie Piper.' WJZ-ABC comedy, Thursday at 11:15 p.m.

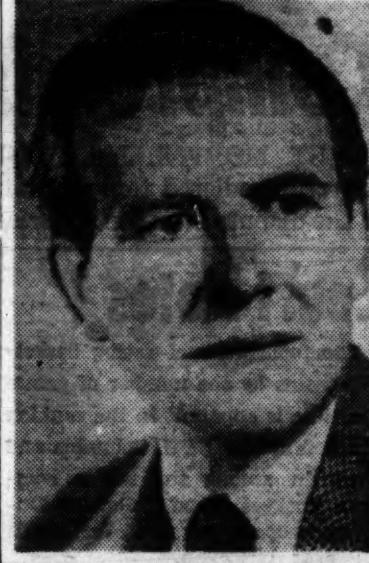


ROBERT Q. LEWIS, famous ad-libber, is heard nightly on CBS WJZ-ABC comedy, Thursday at 11:15 p.m.

On Stage

MARC BLITZSTEIN'S The Cradle Will Rock resumes its checkered career tonight (Wednesday) at the Broadway Theatre under the aegis of David Lowe, last represented on Broadway by Portrait in Black. The cast remains intact, headed by Alfred Drake in the starring role. Supporting players include Vivian Vance, Will Geer, Muriel Smith, David Thomas and Estelle Loring. Howard da Silva is credited with the staging. Conducting the orchestra and playing the part of Clark will be Howard Shanet, brilliant young assistant to Leonard Bernstein at the New York Symphony.

Tonight's performance marks the 146th professional showing of The Cradle Will Rock, which closed a 21-performance engagement at the Manfield Theatre on Jan. 11. Prior to that it was seen for one performance at the Maxine Elliot Theatre



WILL GEER

in 1937; 10 performances at the Venice Theatre (now the Century) the same year; 108 performances at the Windsor and Mercury Theatres in 1937-38; three Sunday night engagements at the Mercury Theatre during the run of Orson Welles' "Julius Caesar"; and two concert performances under the direction of Leonard Bernstein at the New York City Center on Nov. 24 and 25 last.

Arrangements for parties in any number from 50 people to a full house at special discounts can be made by calling Bina Houston or Earl Carter at Longacre 5-0788. Parties now booking for the next four weeks.

MAURICE EVANS, who is producer and star of Broadway's most resounding comedy hit, George Bernard Shaw's mirthful and biting Man and Superman, will be represented on the Main Stem by two productions when he sponsors his friend Boris Karloff in a new J. B. Priestley play The Linden



OSCAR BRAND, young American bandleader, will be featured in a folksong and blues concert to be presented at the Village Grove, 100 Seventh Ave. South, Friday evening, Jan. 30 at 8:30. This will be the first in a series of informal gatherings by the Folksong Concert Series. Also on the program will be Brownie McGhee, 'King of the Blues Guitar,' Charlotte Anthony, and troubadour Tom Paley.



THAT'S NANCY WALKER above strutting her stuff in 'Look, Ma, I'm Dancin!', the musical comedy based on an idea by Jerome Robbins, which opens at the Adelphi Theatre tomorrow night. The book is by Jerome Lawrence and Robert E. Lee with music and lyrics by Hugh Martin. The cast includes in addition to Miss Walker, Harold Lang, Janet Reed and Alice Pearce. Settings by Oliver Smith. Staging and dances by Mr. Abbott who is producing the whole business.

Tree as March 2.

Playing John Tanner, the woman-fleeing hero of the Shavian comedy eight times a week, while supervising the Priestley production should easily qualify Mr. Evans as Broadway's busiest and most industrious actor-manager.

The Linden Tree will provide film bogey man Boris Karloff with his first sympathetic part, that of a kindly erudite history teacher, Professor Linden, in the Priestley play, which is now in its sixth month in London. Barbara Everest and Una O'Connor, noted English actresses, have come east from Hollywood to play in the Evans production with Mr. Karloff. New York will see The Linden Tree following a three and a half weeks' tryout tour in New Haven, Philadelphia and Washington.

REMO BUFANO, famed puppet master, will present a new and exciting combined marionette and puppet production of the famous children's classic, "Cinderella," in an unlimited Sunday afternoon series, starting Feb. 1, at the Franklin Clubhouse, 110 W. 48th St.

Use of both marionettes and puppets necessitated several revolutionary changes in the standard puppet stage. Manipulators will operate from both above and below the playing stage, with the entire playing area open to view from any part of the theatre.

Edith Lutyens is creating the costumes for this unusual production of "Cinderella." The most exciting figure in the presentation will be that of the Fairy Godmother, a combination puppet and marionette, swathed in a three-yard length of star-studded fine silk mesh.

The New York production is being sponsored by the Children's Variety Theatre and it is expected that the troupe will go on a nationwide tour at the completion of its local engagement. Admission to the Sunday performance at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. will be \$1 per person. For further information call the Children's Variety Theatre, WAtkins 9-2356.



ANNA SOKOLOW, noted modern dancer, will premiere a Mexican and a Jewish dance this Sunday at 3:30 p.m. at the YMHA, Lexington Ave. and 92nd St. They are 'Life Is a Fandango,' and 'Deborah.' The rest of the program will include 'Ballad in a Popular Style,' 'Case History,' 'Laurent for the Death of a Bull Fighter,' 'Mexican Retablo,' 'Kaddish,' 'The Bride and Exile.'

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On the Score Board

By Lester Rodney



A Volleyball, of All Things

NOW I'M AS one with you in opposition to columns about the difficulty of writing columns. But just on this particular day this particular columnist is up against it with the deadline closing in, other stories, headlines and layout waiting to be done and no quick idea for a column.

To makes matters worse these are what is known in the parlance of the trade as "dog days," and I don't have reference to Bill Mardo's four footed monster Lobo. Where the expression originated I don't really know, but it means that basketball is dead for a couple of weeks, it's not football season, there are no big fights and baseball is in the "Yanks Sign Gumpert" stage.

So if nobody minds, and if anybody minds, today's sermon will be on a sport probably mentioned here for the first and very last time—volleyball.

Like many another, I never played volleyball in my life until I got into the Army. It was a game admirably adapted to the service. All an outfit had to cart along was a net and a ball. You stuck the net up somewhere even in a jungle clearing, donned your "uniform" of GI drawers and were off.

In this game six men play on a side, though I've seen scandalous amounts of contestants having fun on each side in summer resorts. But for the real game, it's six, disposed three at the net, one in the middle and two back. The ball is batted or punched back and forth over the nine foot high net until it hits the ground somewhere within the confines of the "field" on the opposing side. That's a point if you're serving. If not, you win the serve. And twenty-one wins the game, which all makes volleyball a closer relative to handball than to any other sport.

Science and 'Tex'

OFFHAND IT MAY not sound as if there is much science or skill in volleyball. But there is. The pattern of play for a good team finds the back two men hoisting the ball forward where one of the three forwards or the all-duty guy in the middle lifts it high and gently, "sets it up," for the kill by another forward. The ball can only be hit three times on one side of the net.

In my outfit we were blessed with a six foot six inch product of Texas who went through the entire war called by no other name than "Tex." Tex, and that should be anonymous enough to protect him, was an amiable sort of wildman. I played next to him for a while and my duty was to "set it up" nicely into the air. Tex was then to leave his feet and if my set-up was nicely timed he was able to slam the ball earthward into one of the undefended spots with sufficient velocity to preclude a return and how's that language?

So high could Tex jump and so fearfully could he wallop the ball downward that there was a certain normal amount of trepidation among the players on the other side of the net but Tex was without animus toward anyone but the Japanese, with whom we never played volleyball, and some of our own officers.

The Officers' Mistake

THAT BRINGS US to the story. Our outfit didn't have enough athletically inclined officers to fill both sides of a volleyball game. So it came to pass that six of the more ambitious of them practiced up and challenged an enlisted man's team to a game.

Our officers included no men of very great stature, as it were, so a certain Lt. S., not very tall, played in their forward line, smack in the middle, opposite Tex's spot. That was Lt. S.'s mistake. He was the motor vehicle officer and Tex was a truck driver. Lt. S. wasn't very nice. Tex got me out for a special pre-game practice in setting up perfect high passes for him where he could get his full power into the kill.

It's not as easy as it sounds. The pass from the backman to the setter-upper has to be "soft," the set up can easily be a little too close to the net for maneuverability without hitting the net itself, (a point losing foul) too far back for the killer to slam straight down, off to either side a trifle etc.

So it was about 5-3 as I recall before everything clicked. The back line took one of the officers' long ones and lofted it up to me in perfect position. I squatted, aimed and propelled it lovingly upward with both palms. It was perfect, very high, exactly to Tex's right hand, just the right distance from the net. It seemed to hang in the air waiting for Tex as he went into the wild blue yonder, drew back his enormously long arm, fixed his eyes directly on the top of Lt. S.'s head, let out a piercing whoop of triumph and cut loose.

If you're waiting for a surprise ending you're in the wrong place. They led the dazed Lt. S. off the court holding his head. It was a legal play, part of the game, nobody was really hurt, they challenged us in the first place and darned if I didn't get a column out of this volleyball after all.

Dodgers Trot Out '48 Optimism in Print

The Brooklyn Dodgers have come in with a pretty little four-page monthly called "Line Drives," and in it are expressed some of the worries and hopes of the 1948 ball club.

Leo Durocher, for instance, points out that Brooklyn pitchers allowed more bases on balls than any club in the league and its hitters finished no better than fifth in the important business of slugging.

"Shotten stole the pennant," is the way Leo puts it. "The records show that Brooklyn stole 88 bases, a third more than our nearest rival, but what does not show is the extra bases we took, the base

hit stretching we did to get other clubs jittery and open up our own opportunities." Leo thinks Cox was wasted as a base runner with the Pirates last year, and is one of the league's fastest. "He'll run with Robinson, Reiser and Reese this year."

Another squib reveals that Billy Johnson of the Yankees made five World Series hits with two strikes against him, calling it "an example of spots where another good pitch or two might have changed baseball history."

Without good pitchers, you can't get those good pitches. Having traded, Vic Lombardi and Hal Gregg of Pittsburgh with only

ALLIE WANTS 50% RAISE

A really tough holdout loomed yesterday as Yankee pitcher Allie Reynolds, 19-game winner, asked a 50-percent raise over his \$16,000 salary of last year.

Allie, at his Oklahoma City home, said he and the club were "far apart," and that he wasn't interested in anything less than a 50-percent increase. He pointed to the Yankees' lucrative season, with a record 2,500,000 home fans, the big dough on the seven-game World Series, and the salaries of other pitchers like Newhouser's \$45,000, Ferris' ditto and Feller's \$37,000.

Olmo May Return If 'Outlaws' Are Fully Reinstated

While Leo Durocher said he would "welcome Luis Olmo back as a hard hitting, fleet outfielder sure to find a spot," the young Puerto Rican yesterday made it clear from Havana that he would not rejoin the Brooks

"pardon" appeared likely for the "outlaws" who had been suspended from organized ball for five years. An agreement with the Mexican and Cuban leagues has paved the way for an amicable settlement which would return players like Max Lanier to the big leagues.

Tomas De La Cruz, president of the Latin American B. B. Association and a former Cincinnati pitcher, said outlaw players were

Olympic Hockey Compromise Seen

ST. MORITZ, Jan. 27 (UP).—Reliable U. S. Olympic sources predicted tonight that a settlement will be reached in the dispute over the American hockey representative which

will permit all the other U. S. teams to compete in the Winter Olympics which open here Friday.

The prediction, the first hopeful sign that a solution to the controversy was being worked out, followed day-long conferences which left Avery Brundage, chairman of the U. S. Olympic Committee, "optimistic" as to the outcome.

Brundage is striving to reverse the Swiss Organizing Committee's acceptance of the Amateur Hockey Association team, as the official U. S. representative and have the U. S. O.C.'s team substituted. Failing in that, Brundage wants both teams barred.

The U. S. Olympic head remained adamant, however, in his position that if the AHA team is permitted to compete all other American athletes will be withdrawn from the games.

The American sources were confident that the full International Executive Committee would resolve the hockey dispute in a manner satisfactory to both the factions—the U. S. O.C. and the AHA.

old ex pro star, in action for a little while. He was one of the best. Sid Tanenbaum has hit his stride with an average of 13 points a game since joining the team.



It's the dog days in sports. The cat? Just along for the ride. See "On the Score Board."

Lefty Elwin (Preacher) Roe in return to make up for the pitching loss, the Dodgers apparently expect to gamble on their youngsters again.

An unidentified Brooklyn official is quoted as saying "Our pitching could be the hot story of the National League in 1948" but Durocher significantly refrains from beaming praise about the four young pitchers—Rex Barney, Phil Haugstad, Jack Banta and John Hall—who captured the imagination of the "unidentified spokesman."

The best they could get from Leo was an admission that his young pitching had great possibilities. Leo was more interested in the

speed and defensive equipment which helped the Dodgers win the pennant.

Elsewhere is a story on Preacher Roe, 30-year-old lefty, with a note that he is a control pitcher "who brings to the staff a type of control that only Hugh Casey could offer."

Casey will be around again so that makes two guys who can get the ball over the plate, assuming that Roe has read that note.

Roe, counted on for front-line duty with Ralph Branch and Joe Hatten, may not be too certain of his ability but he says "I think that great Brooklyn infield behind me will make me a 20-game winner."

FLASH: More Trouble

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 27 (UP).—

Negotiations for peace between the Mexican League and organized baseball were halted temporarily and possibly permanently tonight as a result of a feud within the Latin loop which led to the resignation of High Commissioner Alejandro Aguirre Reyes.

willing to return provided the American clubs respected their original contracts and they were in no way penalized.

Olmo, however, was dissatisfied with his Dodger contract originally and developed into a tremendous outfielder in the past two years' play, so it would take more than his old contract to lure him back to Ebbets Field. Durocher was high on young Luis when he had him and thinks his right handed power would come in useful.

Classified Ads

APARTMENT WANTED

VETERAN AND WIFE, comrades, urgently need small unfurnished apartment. Write Box 14, Daily Worker.

APARTMENT FOR EXCHANGE

WISH to exchange 3-room apartment for one room apartment. Low rental. Lower Manhattan. Box 18 c/o Daily Worker.

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MODERN FURNITURE to order—pine, oak, finished, unfinished. Herbstman, 73 W. 108th St. RI 9-6790; Evenings, SA 2-2271.

TIRED OF RUBBING and scraping your fingers for potato pancakes and horseradish? Our new mixer and blender will do this for you. Also good for making all kinds of drinks, malteds, sherberts, etc. Regular \$42.50—Special with this ad \$33.50. Standard Food Distributors, 143-4th Ave., near 14th St. GR 3-7819.

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SWITCHBOARD operator wanted. Knowledge of Yiddish reading and writing necessary. Call Morning Freiheit office, AL 4-9480, 35 E. 12th St.

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ROSE MEISEL sick. Must see Mike Villett. Dr. Rubin, 36 W. 84th St., NYC. EN 2-2122.

POSITION WANTED

PRACTICAL NURSE, 14 years' experience, references. Write F. Kwinther, 6-6 Krauss, 2871 W. 20th St., B'klyn.

ROOM FOR RENT

135TH ST., 629 W. Nice comfortable room. Private, Man only. Call WA 6-3763.

SERVICES

PLANNING to decorate your home? Consult us. We do expert painting and paperhanging. Evenings. GR 5-6815.

CONTACT Eddie for light deliveries. Station wagon available for general use. Write Box 15 c/o Daily Worker.

TRAVEL

COUPLE leaving for Florida, in a new car. Looking for another driver; share expenses. Call UN 4-8479.

TRUCKS FOR HIRE

SMALL MOVING JOBS, \$3.75 hour up. Fireproof storage, reasonable rates. Call Ed Wendell, Veteran, day-night, JErome 6-8000.

WANTED APARTMENT OR ROOM

NEWSPAPERMAN, recently returned from Europe, seeks apartment to share or furnish room. Write Box 16 c/o Daily Worker.

In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo



Ah, Those Predictions!

SPORTS WRITERS wallow in more self indulgence than any other animal I know. And I don't only refer to the "experting" smugness which the pressbox breeds, while Joe and Jane Fan, just as sports wise for sure, sweat in line outside the ticket booth for one of the cheaper seats in the upper grandstand. Consider one most cherished luxury of this trade. Prediction making. A lovely little gadget with the odds solidly stacked in favor of the predictor. For one thing, the sports writer is egotistically secure in the knowledge that any and all prognostications automatically become public domain. People read it.

But here's where that luxury angle comes in. A writer makes with a prediction, let's say he's tenting some unknown early in that athlete's career and envisioning great things for him. Simple enough, and the scribe then sits back to wait the future. If said prediction rings the bell, well, that writer won't let anyone forget about it, surely not his readers. If, horrors, the original estimate proves to fall flatter than Truman with each passing year, then absolutely nobody's gonna be reminded of it. (They probably don't remember, anyway, says the scribbler.) And he just goes on experting. I won't hazard any guesses on his average.

Now that I've exposed this little racket, allow me:

IKE WILLIAMS is speaking, the scene, his dressing room in the Philadelphia Armory, after his disputed, much booed decision over Freddie Dawson the other night: "Dawson fought well and easily was the best lightweight I've faced. He earned a crack at the title and we'll try to give it to him."

Like I said, allow me:

BILL MARDO'S column of June 26, 1944, dealing with an unknown out-of-towner just appeared on a four-round Garden prelim: "Freddy's a bit of a stylist. He holds his right cocked on his chest and his long left hangs deceptively low. The portside punch is looped over with blinding speed and accuracy, with Dawson turning the jab into a hook when his man is ripe. . . . Freddie Dawson's a comer, clever, fast, and boasting a left hand worth its weight in gold."

Hooray I'm an expert! Now a few more words on the Dawson-Williams fight itself. One judge called it a draw, the two others had it for the great lightweight champ, 5-4-1, and 6-4 respectively. Some of the New York writers who went to Philly for the fight voted cleanly for Dawson. The 7,000 fans who packed the Armory, if their vocal reception to the decision is any evidence, also voted for Dawson. According to newspaper accounts, he blinded Ike with that stunning left and flitting legwork, countered quickly on the run, and, all in all the Philly fans now have a little Walcott-Louis rhubarb of their own to kick around. The subtle differences being that Dawson never floored Ike, but on the other hand, reportedly did more consistent countering than Jersey Joe did in his great bid.

I CAN'T say anything about a fight I didn't see. But this much is obvious. Freddie Dawson is just as deserving of a title crack at Williams' 135-pound title as is Walcott for a return with Louis. And I know that Ike Williams is champ enough to give it to him. He said as much after it was over.

Dawson is a terrifically classy kid. Built along Ray Robinson's lines, tall and slim with nifty speed in the hands and legs department. He's got a fine record, mostly out of town to the regret of Garden fans. Shortly after I spotted him in that aforementioned prelim, his handlers rushed him in against the up and coming Williams, that was in September of 1944, and Ike belted him out in four. But he went on to pile up an impressive record in '45, and when matched for a return with Williams in January, '46, held the superb Ike to a ten-round draw. Add that to the sensational effort he put on in Philly two nights ago, and you've got a fighter improving all the time on the great promise he showed here, three and half years ago.

I know he'd go over big in New York. He's loaded with flash and skill and, if Sol Strauss is bemoaning the dearth of good lightweight's here's just another example of the old adage, "All that shine's is not tied up by 20th Century." Gene Burton, another wonderful lightweight, was kept out of these parts for two years because the Jacobs Corporation wasn't interested. Nobody can tell me Dawson wouldn't have come into the big town if the offers were right.

Meantime, I'll go right on predicting. It's more fun!

The Roundup: Louis-Walcott Almost In; 2 More Yanks Sign

Sol Strauss, acting head of the 20th Century Sporting Club, advised the club's offices here by telephone yesterday from Miami Beach that the possibility of a return match between Joe Louis and Jersey Joe Walcott at Yankee Stadium next June "was very encouraging."

Walcott's managers arrived two days ago to confer with Jacobs.

INFIELDERS JACKIE PHILLIPS and Linus (Lonny) Frey returned their signed 1948 contracts to the New York Yankees yesterday, becoming the 26th and 27th players to agree to terms for the coming season.

Phillips, 6-foot 4-inch, 26-year-old, hit .298 in 122 games with the Newark Bears of the International League last season before reporting to the Yankees for the last few weeks of the campaign.

Frey, a veteran of 14 seasons in the majors, was acquired from the Chicago Cubs on Waivers

THE FOOTBALL STEELERS of the National Football League announced the signing of Steve Suhey, outstanding guard of Penn State's unbeaten 1947 grid squad.

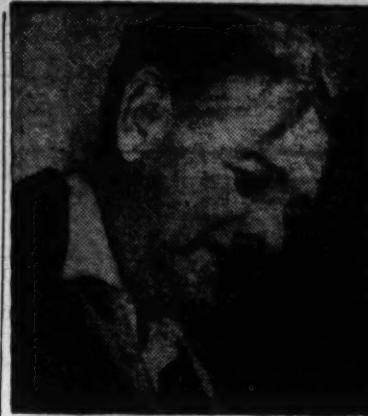
The 25-year-old Suhey, from Cazenovia, N.Y., is 5 feet 11 inches, weighs 215 pounds and was regarded as one of the finest linemen in the east the past season. Suhey joins three other former Penn State

players on the Steelers, center Chuck Cherundolo, end Bob Davis and guard Bill (Red) Moore.

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THE CONNECTICUT Sportswriters' Alliance annual gold key awards for "meritorious service to sports" were given yesterday in New Haven to a big league baseball manager, a golf professional and a school surgeon.

Recipients were Joe Cronin of the Boston Red Sox, George F. Sparling of Bridgeport, and Dr. Frank Mongillo of New Haven.



The Babe, Weak But Still Smiling, Leaves Hospital

HE'S NOT quite the old husky of golden yesteryear, after all the hospital bed-ridden days with a neck ailment, but Babe Ruth still smiles like the Bambino of old. During his 17-day checkup at Presbyterian Hospital, which he left yesterday, the Babe received an average of 50 fan letters a day from the faithful who can never forget the game's greatest star—yesterday, today, or ever.

Hospital attendants said the all-time home run king was "feeling fine," but Babe's general appearance belied those words.

He had to be assisted through the lobby by Charles W. Schwefel, a friend, and William Delaney, a

male nurse, and when the door was opened leading to a limousine, which was to take him to his Riverside Drive apartment, the rush of cold air hit him full force and the once mighty Ruth drew back as if smitten.

It appeared momentarily as if he did not wish to go out into the cold, but Schwefel assured him "It'll be warm in the Limousine" and the Babe went on.

He did not stop to talk to the reporters and photographers gathered in the lobby for fear of catching cold.

Asked how he thought the major league pennant races would come out in 1948, Ruth, without breaking his step, replied:

"I haven't had time to pay any attention to the pennant races. I've had a relapse."

"No, you've just had a check-up," Schwefel broke in.

Ruth said he would talk to reporters before he leaves Thursday for a Florida vacation. He hopes to see some of the major league ball clubs in spring training there and later plans to go to Hollywood to assist in directing the movie, *The Life of Babe Ruth*.

Dressed in his usual camel hair tophat with a cap to match, Ruth smiled faintly and waved to photographers as they took his picture after he entered the limousine.

It marked his first long hospital siege since he was discharged from French Hospital last Feb. 15 after 82 days of treatment, during which he underwent a serious neck operation.

Americans Line Up Olympic Ski Varsity

ST. MORITZ, Switzerland, Jan. 27 (UP).—Seven U. S. Olympic skiers, led by Capt. Barney McLean of Denver, Colo., were selected today by coach Walter Prager to carry

America's hopes in the downhill and slalom competition of the 1948 winter games which start here on Friday.

Besides McLean, 30-year-old winner of the 1947 American ski trophy, the athletes chosen by Prager to compete in the downhill, slalom and Alpine events were: Bob Blatt of Palo Alto, Calif.; Dev Jennings, Dick Movitz and Jack Reddish, all of Salt Lake City, Utah; Steve Knowlton of Aspen, Colo.; and Colin Stewart of Hanover, N. H.

Three other members of the 12-man U. S. Olympic squad named as reserves were John (Boots) Blatt of Palo Alto, younger brother of Bob; Dave Faires of Seattle, Wash., and George Macomber of West Newton, Mass.

The skiers will be divided into

the following groups in the three events:

Downhill—McLean, Bob Blatt, Reddish, Knowlton, Jennings and Movitz.

Slalom—McLean, Bob Blatt, Knowlton and Stewart.

Alpine—(combined downhill and slalom)—McLean, Bob Blatt, Reddish and Knowlton.

Downhill reserves—John Blatt, Faires and Macomber.

Slalom Reserves—Reddish, Jennings, Movitz, John Blatt and Macomber.

Alpine Reserves—Jennings, Movitz, John Blatt and Macomber.

As the skiers went through another rigorous practice today for the Olympic meet, the U. S. speed skaters won team honors in a 5,000-meter, 13-man race

Results, Entries, Selections

Hialeah Results

FIRST—3 furlongs; maidens; 3-year-olds, colts and geldings: \$3000. Daddy Joe (Combest) 6.10 3.40 3.00 Eternal Dream (Dodson) 7.20 5.20 Razzmatazz (Pierson) 10.90 Also ran—z-Strutaway, Incomparable, Pappy's Rebel, Swordstown, Tough and Baffie. Time—33 4/5. z-Strutaway finished 3rd but was dis-qualified.

SECOND—7 furlongs; maidens; 4-year-olds and up: \$3000. Scotch Double (Rogers) 30.20 11.30 8.00 Eternal Star (Cook) 4.70 4.30 Brunch (Atkinson) 5.00 Also ran—Vera Michaels, Maudeaux, Star Time, Riffe, River Pilot, Imperieuse, Signal Knob and Delmore. Time—1:27.

THIRD—6 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up: \$3500. Precession (Dodson) 3.00 2.40 2.30 Mint O'Morn (Moore) 12.00 8.10 Potomac (Chestnut) 5.40 Also ran—Harding F., Alworth, Wise Frix, Big T. O. and Roman Candle. Time—1:12.

FOURTH—6 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up: \$3500. Happiness (Dodson) 4.30 2.60 2.30 Sylvia Dear (Gifford) 3.00 2.50 Stage Mother (Atkinson) 3.40 Also ran—Rockwood King, Enchanting, Colonial Rose, Rate Case and Fearless Ken. Time—1:12.

FIFTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up: \$3500. Dog O'Sullivan (Kline) 18.10 7.40 5.30 Frere Jacques (Atkinson) 8.10 4.50 Preoccupy (Jemax) 8.40 Also ran—a-Bill Harday, Broad Gift, Sam Bernard, Ring Awhile, Gestapo and a-Gracie Son. Time—1:25 2/5. a-Lodge-Metcalfe entry.

SIXTH—1 1/8 miles on turf; allowances; 4-year-olds and up: \$4000. Cencero (Atkinson) 5.80 3.00 2.80 Kingarville (Rogers) 3.60 2.90 Campos (Nash) 3.60 Also ran—Donna's Ace, Amanecer, Gila Water, Paris III, Petrol Point and Flaglapa. Time—1:54 1/5.

SEVENTH—1 1/8 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; fillies and mares: \$3500. Harem (Knapp) 7.30 3.40 2.80 Catana (McPhee) 2.70 2.50 Chanteuse (Combest) 3.40 Also ran—Sandy Pam, Annie Oquash and Broom Ride. Time—1:33.

EIGHTH—1 3/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500. Gr'ym'r B'nnie (Willis's) 11.80 8.00 3.90 Overtake (Featherston) 4.10 2.90 Master Jack (Erico) 3.40 Also ran—Lucky Ann, Twixt, Romulus, Metheny, Annie Again, Short Sue, Temeray, Cherokee V. and Lepel. Time—2:01 4/5.

NINTH—1 3/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500. I Conquer 116 a-Hel-Plin 122 a-Oldwood 112 Hywest 111 *Special Pet 105 Burra Peg 112 a-Saxon Paul 112 Alport 112 a-Catchersupper 112 a-Kalarney 107 a-Warrior 107 a-Emery-Maver-Herenden entry; a-Moore-Young entry.

TENTH—1 3/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500. Mae Agnes 111 Narcissus 118 Svengali 116 *Alan F. 119 Lucky Colonel 119 *Royal Stew 114 Bowery Hall 119 Jousting Match 116 *Arakak 118 Count J. L. 119 *Waterproof 111 Pine Lake 111 *Sweep Swinger 111 Top Dog 116 *Apprentice allowance claimed.

Hialeah Entries

Hialeah Park entries for Wednesday, Jan. 28. Clear and fast. Post 2 p.m., EST.

FIRST—3 furlongs; claiming; 2-year-olds; maidens: \$3000. Workans 120 Eternal Sea 117 Arose 117 *Little Bobbies 115 a-Some Speed 117 *Ringing Tune 112 *Bee Fee 115 Blocking Back 120 Grabro 120 Shining Light 117 Super Flight 117 Little Rajah 120 Petrus 120 a-One Loch 117 Hypeace 120 *Best Trick 112 a-Bryson and Babylon entry.

SECOND—7 furlongs; 3-year-old maidens; \$3000.

Hal Ray 120 Skill 120 Dipped 120 Beau Dandy 120 Headland 115 West Milton 120 Flawless Pearl 115 Octorora 120 Jobie 120 Little Cassino 110 Alairne 120 Kid Stuff 120 Lucky Leaf 115 Bolo Bunny 120 Alacrity 120 Barrage 120

THIRD—6 furlongs; claiming; 3-year-olds; \$4000.

*Harriellen 106 Babolie F. 100 *Magic Moment 112 Rush Hour 113 Scotch Bim 113 Scipio 105 Queen of Roses 100 *Vilkepu 108 Bold King 105 Nomorwar 105 *Lady Carrie 112 *Kanace 106 Control 116 Althird 108 Hirta 111 Red Flag 113

FOURTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500.

Master 107 Glen Heather 107 Agilant 109 *Poignancy 102 Lord Grille 116 *Stage Boy 101 *Air Sailor 101 Stud Power 106 Yankee Hill 107 *Qubu 111

FIFTH—6 furlongs; Jasmine Stakes, 3-year-old fillies; \$10,000 added.

Caltha 121 Kanace 109 Alfoxie 109 Flawless Pearl 106 Allie's Pal 113

SIXTH—7 furlongs; allowances; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500.

End of Strife 104 *Hall Victory 111 Balanced 110 Danny J. 109 *Free as Air 109 *Marsca 105 *Proud Ruler 94 Darby Dimout 109 Darby D'Amour 109 *Hot and High 102

SEVENTH—1 1/4 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3000.

I Conquer 116 a-Hel-Plin 122 a-Oldwood 112 Hywest 111 *Special Pet 105 Burra Peg 112 a-Saxon Paul 112 Alport 112 a-Catchersupper 112 a-Kalarney 107 a-Warrior 107 Agarita 111 *War Wise 106 War Spy 119 *Lucky Change 102 a-Emery-Maver-Herenden entry; a-Moore-Young entry.

EIGHTH—1 3/16 miles; claiming; 4-year-olds and up; \$3500.

Mannequin 109 Mighty Master 116 *Apprentice allowance claimed.

AL'S SELECTIONS

1—Arose, Eternal Sea, One Loch.

2—Octorora, Beau Dandy, Alairne.

3—Lady Carrie, I'llkepu, Kanace.

4—Poignancy, Glen Heather, Air Sailor.

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Connolly Hits Delay on Gerson Seat in Council

Councilman Eugene P. Connolly, Manhattan Laborite, at a regular meeting of the Council yesterday sharply criticized the Rules Committee for its delay in seating Gerson. He read a statement toward the very close of the meeting, getting the floor on a point of high personal privilege.

"I believe that the continued refusal to seat Mr. Gerson will develop into New York's number one political scandal," Connolly said. "It is more criminal to rob people of their right of representation than to rob them of their tax monies."

"Either a frank refusal or the tactic of delay—which apparently some people have chosen as their tactic—are equally subversive of our City charter."

Connolly pointed out that Bronx Democratic boss Edward Flynn recalled "with pride" in his recent book, *You're the Boss*, that he voted against the expulsion of Socialist Assemblymen in 1918.

Councilman Walter Hart, Brooklyn Democrat, who as chairman of the Rules Committee, made a farcical display of "impartiality" at a hearing last Friday, denied that his committee was stalling.

Hart said he was waiting for Communist Party documents for which he had asked and "would act"

Un-Americans

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gation of union leaders conferred with O'Dwyer for more than two hours in his office. Neither the Mayor nor the unionists would reveal the nature of their discussion. It was believed that the group vigorously protested the red-baiting and the city's quick submission to the House Committee's intimidating demands, which can only incite further witch hunting expeditions into the city's relief program.

The delegation consisted of Jack Bigel, district president of the UPW; Saul Mills, CIO Council secretary; Frank Herbert, president of Local 1, who was evicted by Fielding from the Department of Welfare offices on Monday; Rose Russell, Teachers Union; James Griesi and Michael Garramone of the Sanitation Workers.

Rap GOP Stall On Milk Probe

Special to the Daily Worker

ALBANY Jan. 27.—Assemblyman James G. Lyons (D-Sullivan Co.) charged the GOP-dominated State Agricultural Commission today with stalling on an investigation into the spread of the price of milk between farmer and consumer.

The commission was continued for another year by unanimous Assembly vote after GOP insistence that it had not been able to find the right man to do the investigating but had finally turned up one.



as soon as he received them. Vice-chairman Joseph T. Sharkey, another Brooklyn Democrat, who was conspicuously absent from the hearing on Friday, supported Hart's position.

Sharkey cited the case of George Backer, who succeeded Charney Vladock when the latter died in 1938.

"It took three months to seat Backer," Sharkey said.

Davis, insisting that the Council stop "stalling," told Hart, "You have all the evidence you need. You don't need any more documents from the Communist Party to decide that Gerson rightfully belongs in the Council."

State CP Hails Court OK On Use of Schools

A court ruling Monday that the Communist Party is a "legal entity" which may legally function strikes "a sober note of reality," Robert Thompson, state chairman of the New York Communist Party said yesterday.

Thompson's reference was to the ruling of Supreme Court Justice Charles W. Froessel who upheld the legal status of the party and threw out a plea to bar after-hour use of the schools to Communists and other groups.

Sitting at Jamaica, Queens, on Monday Justice Froessel declared that the Communist Party was a legal entity and that "under the present laws of the state... Communists may legally function as a political party or entity."

The ruling came on a plea by William Stanton, of 2302 Valentine Ave., Bronx, to bar use of school buildings by the Communist Party, American Youth for Democracy or other organizations that the Superintendent of Schools might decide were either Communist, Nazi, fascist or fostering religious or racial

intolerance.

Stanton sought to have Justice Froessel issue an order directing the Board of Education to close the schools to Communists, an action the Board had refused to take.

"Justice Froessel's ruling," Thompson said, "strikes a sober note of reality and contrasts boldly with the opposite tendency at work in Washington."

Justice Froessel referred in his declaration to "widespread public aversion" to Communism, but said that this could not interfere with the legal rights of the Communist Party.

Possibility was seen that the Justice's ruling that the party was "a legal entity" might be used to overcome legal quibbling by the City Council over seating Simon W. Gerson to the Council seat of the later Peter V. Cacchione.

Fuel Reserves Down as Weather Bureau Predicts More Snow

The New York metropolitan area braced itself for the fourth snowstorm in little more than a week when The Weather Bureau forecast last night more snow.

The city, which already has endured a record 41.7 inches of snow this winter, had exhausted its 400,000 gallon fuel oil reserve. City officials said there was no more oil left in the reserve pool to meet emergency requests from home owners with no fuel.

CHICAGO, Jan. 27 (UP).—The longest siege of cold weather in 12 years drained fuel supplies to the danger point today, disrupting vital

steel and coal production and forcing industrial shutdowns in at least five states.

Deaths resulting from the present prolonged cold rose to 160 today.

George Morris to Speak in Baltimore

BALTIMORE, Jan. 27.—George Morris, Labor Editor of the Daily Worker will speak in Baltimore Sunday February 1, on Labor and the Third Party. There will be two meetings, one at 3 p. m. at the Master Beauticians Center 1522 Madison Ave., and the other at 8 at Finn Hall, 703 Ponson St.



By BARNARD RUBIN

NOT ALL the American Army officers with the Greek monarchist army are in the field.

Some of them are performing another important task—carrying out the Marshall Plan.

They have been given the job of supervising the building of concentration camps for Greek democrats. . . .

TOWN TALK

Disc jockey Doug Arthur on radio station WIGB (Philadelphia) startled his listeners the other day when he read a commercial: "Gretz Beer is made slowly, naturally" and then announced his next record—Aren't We All.

Don Godfrey publishing a new magazine called Weekend. First issue out soon. . . .

Milton Berle, after his stage directing stint, will do a movie for an outfit headed by Harry Rome, a local theatrical agent. . . .

Canada due for a movie production boom—aimed at Hollywood. . . .

Crime and Punishment—the current Broadway adaptation—will be made into a movie by Robert Whitehead, one of the producers of Medea. He wants James Mason to play the Gielgud role. . . .

Li'l Abner's creator, Al Capp, is finishing the writing of his revue entitled Al Capp's Sketch Book. Rodgers and Hammerstein, who seem to be all over the place, are interested. . . .

Cigarette and cigar sales are dropping. First time in a long time.

Well! Well! I don't want to be unusually obvious, but it's a fact that the chief censor for Detroit town, after pestering the entertainment industry there for years, has left his job—to assume the newly created post of press agent for the Allied Theatres of Michigan. . . .

Reactionary Republican Senator Henry Cabot Lodge is supposed to be the powerful man behind the scene pushing for a \$30,000,000 budget boost for the Voice of America programs. . . .

John Wexley, author of The Last Mile, is forming a one-picture-unit team with British producer-director Carol Reed. . . .

Another appeasement doesn't pay item—again on the movie The Senator Was Indiscreet. Now it's the Allied Theatre Owners of Eastern Pennsylvania asking members not to book the film. . . .

Paul Muni considering a proposition to star in a play about a Dutch artist, Van Meerejan, who achieved notoriety by fooling the experts with his masterly forgeries of the old masters. . . .

James and William Cagney have kissed and made up with United Artists. That company will distribute their next film. . . .

Kaiser-Frazer will expand its radio and television advertising budget. . . .

The Ed "Archie" staff, out in Hollywood, had quite a problem for a while. The gang opened an office on Sunset Strip, hung out a Duffy's Tavern sign, and then had to spend hours each day explaining to thirsty passers-by who thought they meant it. . . .

This did NOT come out of a Sinclair Lewis satire: it's actually taken word for word from the Binghamton (New York) Sun, the Jan. 22 edition:

HUSH-HUSH SUBVERSIVE FILM SHOWN TO 650 IN ENDICOTT

State Theater Closed for Showing of Movie

"Too Dangerous" for Public; Jaycees Explain

"Endicott's State Theater last night was the scene of the first 'public' showing in the Triple Cities of an 'openly Communistic' film produced by two men suspected of subversive activities.

"Secrecy at first clouded the screening of Deadline for Action, a film produced by the CIO Electrical Workers Union. Admission was by personal, non-transferable ticket. No public announcement of the event was made other than an announcement by the State Theater management in local newspapers that there would be no regular show last night because of a 'civic event'.

"The theater box-office refused to give the title or subject of the film when reached by phone during the showing.

"But tickets were distributed to some 650 members of the Triple Cities Chambers of Commerce, Junior Chambers and civic and patriotic organizations. . . .

That story about theatrical agents the other day caused a few of our readers to come up with some others. One told about Louis Shurr, the corpulent gent, who has been the hero of many a Broadway fable.

Shurr is said to own a sable coat and an emerald necklace with which he adorns the lady of the evening. When he bids her good night, he takes the wrap and necklace home with him.

Shurr is hard to impress. An actor is said to have burst into his office one day; when he took off his hat, Shurr observed that four daisies and a stalk of asparagus were growing right out of his head. "I think I've got something for Ripley," said the actor.

"Why?" said Shurr.

A vaudevillian proposed a novel turn to him on another occasion. "I dive off a gallery box onto the stage," he explained, "committing suicide right in front of the audience. It'll wow them." "Could be," agreed Shurr, without too much enthusiasm. "But what'll you do for an encore? . . .

'I Smuggled Jews Into Palestine'

An exclusive series begins Sunday in The Worker and continues in the Daily Worker